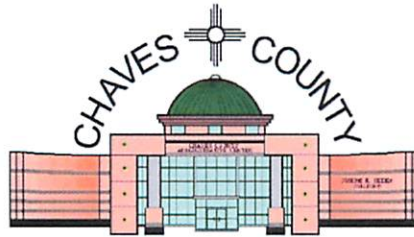


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**Re: Chaves County Coalition Brownfield Revitalization Initiative
USEPA Brownfield Coalition Petroleum and Hazardous Materials Assessment Grant**

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Chaves County and our Brownfield Coalition partners (the City of Roswell and Towns of Dexter, Hagerman, and Lake Arthur) are pleased to submit this combined application for the USEPA Brownfield Assessment Coalition Grant, requesting funding of \$600,000 for Petroleum and Hazardous Materials sites. Our application includes responses to all threshold and ranking criteria as described within the application materials.

Our Coalition is united in our goal to "Revitalize Our Valley" through an EPA Assessment Coalition Grant to begin redeveloping brownfield sites and rebuilding our future. We will use the requested Petroleum and Hazardous Materials funds to support brownfield redevelopment along the main streets of our communities to reduce threats to our residents' health, welfare, and environment; help create new jobs; increase tax base; eliminate blight; and stimulate our economy. Interstate lawsuits related to our water supply have left our smaller communities in need of economic redevelopment. One-time payments received for putting arable land into dryland status disappeared into retirement accounts, relocations, and high-end RVs versus being used to support our County and communities.

The loss of water rights, combined with drought, has led to a loss of population, a loss of tax base, and an increase in blighted and/or vacant land and businesses that Chaves County and our municipalities can't afford to clean up on our own. We now have underused and contaminated properties in the old downtown areas of Lake Arthur, Hagerman, and Dexter. There have been similar effects in the City of Roswell. Many properties along the rail lines that run through the downtown areas of all four communities have real or perceived contamination that is limiting opportunities for revitalization of our rural communities. These idle brownfields remove significant parcels of land from productive use, discourage nearby development, and present health risks to our residents. Our Coalition asks for assistance so we can help ourselves with urban planning and economic redevelopment. We propose to use EPA Brownfields Assessment Coalition Grant funding to begin characterizing and redeveloping brownfield sites to "Revitalize Our Valley," providing more opportunity and a brighter future for our residents.

A. Applicant Identification

The proposed recipient of the EPA Assessment Coalition monies is the County of Chaves, New Mexico, with offices located at #1 St. Mary's Place, Suite 180, Roswell, NM 88203. DUNS: 076729276 CAGE Code: 3TEV3

B. Funding Requested

- i. Grant Type: Assessment
- ii. Assessment Grant Type: Coalition
- iii. Federal Funds Requested: \$600,000

- iv. Contamination: We are requesting \$300,000 for contaminated land assessment activities for Hazardous Substances and \$300,000 for Petroleum assessment to assist in future County revitalization and redevelopment efforts.

C. Location

Our Coalition includes Chaves County, NM; City of Roswell, NM; Town of Dexter, NM; Town of Hagerman, NM; and Town of Lake Arthur, NM. Chaves County is in southeastern New Mexico and encompasses 6,065 square miles or approximately 3,881,600 acres. The City of Roswell is the County seat and is approximately in the center of Chaves County. The Towns of Dexter, Hagerman, and Lake Arthur are just south of Roswell near the Pecos River.

D. Site Specific: This is a Coalition application and does not include site-specific information.

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F. Population

- i. The total County population is 65,850; Roswell has a population of 48,568; Dexter, 1,510; Hagerman, 1,158; and Lake Arthur, 424 (2014 American Community Survey 5-year estimates, available from <http://factfinder.census.gov>).
- ii. Each of our Coalition members is a municipal form of government.
- iii. Persistent poverty: We affirm that Chaves County is classified as a Persistent Poverty County as measured by the 1990 and 2000 decennial censuses and the most recent Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates. The 1990 Census identified 22.4% of our population as living in poverty; the 2000 Census identified 21.3% as living in poverty; and the 2010 Census identified 21% as living in poverty. (Data from <http://www.ers.usda.gov/data-products/county-typology-codes/>, 11/18/16) The latest statistics from the 2014 American Community Survey 5-year estimates showed 21.9% of the County's total population living in poverty.

G. Regional Priorities Form/Other Factors Checklist: Please see attached.

H. Letter from the State or Tribal Environmental Authority: Please see attached.

Thank you for consideration of our grant application materials. We trust you will find them complete and worthy of an award.

Sincerely,



Mr. Stanton L. Riggs, Esq.
County Manager

Enclosure

1. Community Need

a. Target Area and Brownfields

i. Community and Target Area Descriptions

Chaves County is in the Pecos River Valley of southeastern New Mexico, home to the County seat of Roswell (known for the “Roswell incident”). Our rural community has few large employers, persistent poverty, and an increasing number of brownfields. Our Coalition – with Chaves County as the lead entity in collaboration with Roswell, Lake Arthur, Hagerman, and Dexter – seeks to “Revitalize Our Valley” through an EPA Assessment Coalition Grant to characterize brownfield sites and begin building our future. Our Coalition asks for assistance so we can help ourselves with urban planning and economic redevelopment.

Chaves County encompasses 6,065 square miles (3,881,600 acres). Federal land makes up approximately 34% of the total (1,303,439 acres) and is managed by several agencies including Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Reclamation, and U.S. military. State trust land comprises approximately 26% (1,019,653 acres) and is managed by the New Mexico State Land Office. The remaining approximately 40% (1,756,952 acres) is privately owned. The 2014 population of Chaves County was 65,850 with most residents (73.7%) living in the City of Roswell (48,568). Other incorporated communities are Dexter (1,510), Hagerman (1,158), and Lake Arthur (424).

Historical settlement patterns in Chaves County were largely influenced by agriculture. The railroad, which contracted to support the agricultural industry, helped build communities such as Dexter, Hagerman, and Lake Arthur just south of Roswell near the Pecos River. Water rights are a common source of contention in the arid Southwest. Lawsuits between Texas and New Mexico related to the water supply in southeastern New Mexico resulted in reduced availability of water for our smaller communities and smaller farmers. With less water available, the ag community shrank, and downtown businesses that served farmers disappeared. Potentially contaminated sites have increased – abandoned gas stations with petroleum contamination, an abandoned fertilizer warehouse that may have hazardous materials contamination, and many more; these also threaten our water supply. In June 2015, the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry prepared a public health assessment for the McGaffey and Main Site contaminant source area (EPA Facility ID: NM0000605386) in Roswell. The resulting plume of groundwater contaminants extends 3.5 miles south and southeastward into unincorporated portions of Chaves County. Current drought also impacts our water supply; for example, Hagerman's water is supplied by groundwater pumped from two municipal wells, one of which has poor water quality and is seldom used.

Chaves County experiences “persistent poverty,” as defined by Public Law 112-74. Our tax base is stretched to cover basic needs, much less brownfield redevelopment. Brownfields remove land from productive use, discourage nearby development, and present health risks to our residents.

ii. Demographic Information and Indicators of Need

Demographic	Roswell	Lake Arthur	Hagerman	Dexter	Chaves County	New Mexico	USA
Population	48,568 ¹	424 ¹	1,158 ¹	1,510 ¹	65,850 ¹	2,080,085 ¹	314,107,084 ¹
Unemployment	7.9% ³	6.7% ³	10.3% ³	8.4% ³	7.4% ³	9.6% ³	4.9% ²
Poverty Rate	22.7% ³	9.2% ³	26.9% ³	16.6% ³	21.9% ³	20.9% ³	15.6% ¹
% Minority ⁴	60.7% ¹	72.6% ¹	74.8% ¹	84.2% ¹	57.6% ¹	60.4% ¹	37.2% ¹
Median Household Income	\$38,919 ³	\$64,167 ³	\$34,474 ³	\$45,671 ³	\$40,541 ³	\$44,968 ³	\$53,482 ¹
Per Capita Income	\$20,104 ³	\$19,905 ³	\$15,516 ³	\$15,227 ³	\$20,356 ³	\$23,948 ³	\$28,555 ¹

¹ 2014 ACS 5-year estimates: http://factfinder.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/community_facts.xhtml#none

² Bureau of Labor Statistics (The Employment Situation – October 2016): <http://www.bls.gov/news.release/pdf/empst.pdf>.

³ 2014 ACS data profile http://factfinder.census.gov/faces/tableservices/jsf/pages/productview.xhtml?pid=ACS_14_5YR_DP03&src=pt

⁴ Minority percentage includes Hispanic or Latino and non-white race.

iii. Brownfields and Their Impacts

Chaves County estimates more than 50% of our population is within one mile of a brownfield site.

Brownfield Type	Location in Coalition Target Area	Exposure Pathways/Health Effects
Illegal dump sites; RCRA metals, volatiles, petroleum products, PCBs, solvents, biologic wastes	Countywide but most in proximity to Dexter, Hagerman, and Lake Arthur	Direct contact, vermin vectors, groundwater contamination, punctures, airborne viruses, respiratory problems, liver/kidney damage, nerve damage
Abandoned/blighted gas station; lead, ACBM, mold, PCBs, petroleum products	805-809 Colorado, Lake Arthur ; residences within 50 feet of abandoned gasoline station	Trespassers, illegal drug activity, vermin vectors, trash/junk, cancer, respiratory, liver/kidney damage
PCE/TCE contamination from dry cleaner	McGaffey & Main St., Roswell ; PCE plume; many residences w/ 700 feet E, W, and N of plume	Groundwater contamination; indoor air quality, respiratory problems, liver/kidney damage, nerve damage, cancer
Vacant meatpacking plant with issues of lead, ACBM, PCBs, oils, biological waste	1007 North Garden Ave., Roswell ; large residential areas 500 feet south and west of plant	Trespassers, illegal activity, potential for groundwater contamination, vermin vectors, respiratory
Abandoned gas station and former tire repair shop with lead, PVOs and PAHs	101 & 104 South Lincoln, Dexter ; Dexter High School and many homes within 500 feet of station	Respiratory problems, liver/kidney damage, nerve damage, direct contact, inhalation, ingestion, vapor intrusion
Abandoned fertilizer warehouse and downtown building with lead, ACBM, heating oil, ag chemicals	Subd: West Hagerman Block: 0 Lot 16N 270' E 80' BK 49 PG 859 & 106 N Manchester, Lake Arthur ; residences within 100 feet	Trespassers, illegal activity, potential for groundwater contamination, cancer, respiratory, CNS, liver, kidneys, skin
Abandoned downtown bank and grocery buildings	101 and 121 East Argyle and 110 and 112 East Second, Hagerman ; homes within 150 feet of the site	Respiratory problems; trespassers; illegal activity;
Active railroad tracks with diesel fumes, pesticides, lead, cadmium, PAHs	Urban Hagerman, Dexter, Lake Arthur, and Roswell ; rail lines with unrestricted access for children	Respiratory problems, respiratory problems, liver/kidney damage, nerve damage, anemia/bone marrow problems

These sites, located near residential neighborhoods, schools, and/or parks, negatively impact sensitive populations by potentially exposing them to numerous contaminants via direct contact, airborne particulate inhalation, and vapor intrusion pathways. Occupants of the City's oldest homes with on-site water wells – usually low-income, Hispanic residents – may be exposed to contaminated groundwater associated with these brownfields. Many of these sites are near active railroad lines, posing a threat to the health of these sensitive populations. The Hagerman, Dexter, and Lake Arthur brownfield sites, including the rail lines, are in largely Hispanic residential neighborhoods and many within several hundred feet of schools and athletic fields. The Lake Arthur abandoned gasoline station and its underground storage tanks are near a residential neighborhood with one of the highest pockets of Hispanic residents in the Coalition target area (up to 72.6% in the nearest census group, US. Census, 2014 estimates). The abandoned gas station and tire repair shop in Dexter is approximately 500 feet from Dexter High School and within another residential area with a high number of Hispanic residents (84% Hispanic, US. Census, 2014 estimate). Underground storage tanks are present at the Lake Arthur gasoline station and have likely impacted the subsurface with gasoline and diesel constituents, contributing to vapor intrusion concerns. Hagerman has several abandoned buildings within 150 feet of homes; these sites are a target for transient populations and

magnets for curious children and teens. This Assessment Grant will give our Coalition funds to evaluate these priority brownfields, determine the extent of suspected contamination, and address exposure pathways, improving the health of both our residents and our natural resources.

Hazardous substances are suspected in the vacant industrial and commercial buildings in the business district and surrounding neighborhoods. Many of our abandoned buildings likely contain asbestos materials and lead-based paints. Due to their deteriorated and/or unsecured condition, it is possible for residents (especially children) to access these structures. Once inside, residents may be exposed to asbestos fibers (known to cause cancer, mesothelioma, and asbestosis) and deteriorated lead-based paints and dust (known to cause neurological damage in children). Over 15 vacant industrial/commercial buildings have been identified in the Coalition communities. Since many of these buildings were historically used for chemical-intensive operations, they pose increased health threats because residents entering them may be exposed to additional chemicals. Additionally, dilapidated residential buildings in the City have fallen into foreclosure and been abandoned. The County estimates that over 10 vacant and foreclosed residences are in impoverished, Hispanic neighborhoods on the County's rural communities. Because most of the residential buildings in the Coalition target area were constructed before 1970 (U.S. Census, 2010-2014), they too pose lead-based paint and asbestos exposure concerns. Our Comprehensive Plan identifies the need to focus redevelopment on deteriorated residential, commercial, and industrial areas, and with an Assessment Grant, our Coalition will be able to incentivize redevelopment of these sites.

The concentration of brownfields in the low-income, minority neighborhoods in and around the downtown area and the health data (described below) indicating a link between race, income, and health effects demonstrate a disproportionate impact from brownfields on minority and low-income residents in Dexter, Lake Arthur, and Hagerman. Impoverished minority populations often have poor nutrition and limited access to health care; therefore, they are more likely to experience, and not treat, health problems associated with contaminant exposures.

A [Mayo Clinic study](#) of 3,970 people found that children who lived in Census tracts facing the intersection with major highways or railways had about 40% to 70% increased risk of developing childhood asthma. Pollution from diesel engines permeates the air around the tracks and nearby homes. A [World Health Organization](#) study found those living near railroad tracks, especially those with high traffic volume, have higher risk for cancer due to exposure to diesel pollution from the trains. Factors to consider are proximity to the tracks or station, volume of trains, and freight percentage; each increases the risk. At most train intersections in Roswell, a line of cars will stop when waiting for a train to pass. These idling cars increase pollution in neighborhoods and can contribute to impatient drivers and unsafe driving practices when the train does pass. The railroad tracks are not fenced in, posing a danger to children in our target areas. Operation Life Saver states a person or vehicle is hit by a train every 3 hours. Living near railroad tracks increases the likelihood of our children walking near the tracks to school or playing near them.

One program being considered in Chaves County perfectly illustrates the congruence and necessity of the assessment activities to be conducted using grant funds. Hagerman, Dexter, and Lake Arthur have populations of less than 1,500 and are plagued by abandoned homes and commercial buildings that are derelict and, in some cases, safety hazards. While most owners are willing to rehabilitate or demolish these structures, they are intimidated by what they perceive to be costly and complex projects, some of which involve hazardous materials. Chaves County will address these concerns on two fronts: by identifying low-cost demolition and disposal options and, in the future, offering site assessments via the brownfields program. Scrap metal and recyclable materials are recovered and sold to offset County costs. We can increase the number of these beneficial demolition projects if EPA provides our Coalition with funds to address structures that we have not been able to assess due to the high costs involved.

b. Welfare, Environmental, and Public Health Impacts

i. Welfare Impacts

Health studies suggests that poor economic conditions are a significant threat to public health. Current economic and environmental challenges and geographic isolation affect the community's ability to provide essential public health services. The County has been identified as a medically underserved and health professional shortage area by the Health Resources & Services Administration. Reduced access to care creates financial and health burdens, particularly for elderly and low-income residents who must travel out of the region for treatment. The health care shortage strains other local resources, such the emergency department and ambulance. Brownfield redevelopment will provide opportunities to improve public health care needs through site reuse that expands employment opportunities, provides recreational opportunities, alleviates food deserts, and increases access to services. Continued brownfield revitalization will also support community efforts to increase access to healthy foods and opportunities for physical activity via parks, trails, community gardens, and other amenities that promote healthy living. Our residents have high levels of food insecurity with limited access to fresh, healthy foods. Brownfield inventory and assessment will enable the Coalition to identify vacant sites that might be suitable for use as greenspace or community gardens. Education, starting with our rural school districts, is often the first line of defense; a robust community outreach program will improve public awareness of brownfields and associated health risks, especially important in poor neighborhoods where residents may have grown accustomed to brownfields. If threats to human health and the environment are identified, the Coalition will work with the Chaves County Health Department to notify stakeholders, identify solutions, and mitigate threats via direct remediation/abatement and/or options to establish engineering and/or institutional controls.

ii. Cumulative Environmental Issues

Chaves County faces water supply, conservation, and contamination issues. There are no potable surface water systems in Chaves County. The Roswell groundwater basin is the primary source of water for the Pecos River Valley. This underground water supply system, recharged by large watersheds originating in the Sacramento and Capitan mountains, provides water for ag operations and municipal water systems. One of the greatest threats to these aquifers is contamination, which is also a major factor in creating brownfields. For example, groundwater in the McGaffey and Main Street PCE plume site is impacted with chlorinated solvents, and homes and the Roswell potable well lie down-gradient from the site.

We can ill-afford to lose any of our water to contamination when we have already lost so much of our water rights. The 1940s Pecos River Compact between New Mexico and Texas requires New Mexico to give Texas half the water released from Sumner Dam, plus 46% of all the flood inflow to the state line based on the condition of the river in 1947. A 1987 Supreme Court decision found New Mexico had under-delivered water to Texas an average of 10,000 acre-feet/year. Unfortunately for Chaves County, water rights are being purchased by the State within the Roswell basin and transferred to new well fields to satisfy the Supreme Court decree. The loss of water rights led to a loss of population, which led to a loss of County tax base, which led to creation of neglected, abandoned, mistreated properties – i.e., brownfields. The Pecos River Settlement drained 15,000 acres in Chaves County, primarily in the Hagerman/Dexter/Lake Arthur region. The average net loss of business value of an acre of agricultural land equals \$1,500/year for an annual loss to agriculture from the Pecos River Settlement at \$22.5 million. Local businesses (and employees) lost include two grocery stores (60); one insurance agency (4); two bank branches (20); two barbershops (10); four restaurants (35); and one vehicle dealership (12). Total estimated non-farm payroll loss is \$3.8 million/year (which could easily be doubled based on missing data) with a farm payroll loss estimated at \$5.8 million/year (180 workers earning \$32,000/year).

Brownfields also are a significant environmental justice concern. The U.S. Census Bureau's 2008-2012 American Community Survey shows Chaves County is not financially influential. As shown in the demographic table, Chaves County itself has a median household income and a per capita income

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significantly lower than the national and New Mexico averages and poverty rates that are higher. We have a minority population significantly higher than the national average (57.6% vs. 37.2%).

An additional environmental justice challenge is the proposed Triassic Park hazardous waste facility. Although the permit is being challenged by a lawsuit, the facility plan included two evaporation ponds and four tanks that, combined, could hold upwards of 5 million gallons of waste. The company, Gandy Marley Inc., would be required to monitor the site for contamination for 30 years in exchange for taking in lead, mercury, benzene, and PCBs, as well as soil from remediation sites and other debris. A lawsuit is under way based in part on resident complaints regarding a public participation process that made it hard for our poor and Spanish-speaking residents to voice concerns about the social and environmental injustice posed by this facility. The lawsuit also charges that the proposed facility would subject our many Hispanic residents to disproportionate levels of pollution (<http://nmpoliticalreport.com/9095/thirteen-years-and-counting-anatomy-of-an-epa-civil-rights-investigation>).

iii. Cumulative Public Health Impacts

Statistics from the New Mexico Department of Health's Indicator-Based Information System for Public Health (<http://ibis.health.state.nm.us>, 11/7/16,) indicate a pattern of low income, poor food choices, poor health, reduced life expectancy, and reduced expectations for breaking out of poverty in our County.

Health Indicator	Chaves County	New Mexico	U.S.
Obesity among adults (2012-2014)	34.8%	27.3%	29.6%
Alcohol-related deaths/100,000 pop. (2010-2014)	52.35	54	29.4
Drug overdose deaths/100,000 pop. (2010-2014)	20.5	24.3	13.8
Teen birth rate/1,000 girls (2009-2014)	25.5	20.1	10.9
Infant mortality/1,000 live births (2010-2014)	6.2	5.7	5.96
Children under age 5 living in poverty (2014)	36.8%	31.5%	23.9%
Heart disease deaths/100,000 pop. (2012-2014)	190.8	151.0	169.8
Diabetes death rates/100,000 pop. (2012-2014)	37.3	28.4	21.2
Life expectancy from age 65 (2012-2014)	18.6 years	19.9 years	19.3 years
% pop. ≥ 25 with no high school diploma (2010-2014)	22.0%	15.8%	13.1%

Chaves County's obesity rate (34.8%) is far higher than state and national rates. Why is this? Access to healthy food is a problem for many households. According to Feeding America, 10,050 Chaves County residents in 2014 were considered “food insecure,” with a food insecurity rate of 15.3% for the County as a whole and a 25.4% for children. Low food security is defined as reduced quality, variety, or desirability of diet while very low food security includes disrupted eating patterns and reduced food intake. The percentage of families below the 165% poverty level (and likely eligible for federal nutrition assistance) was 76% (<http://map.feedingamerica.org/county/2014/overall/new-mexico/county/chaves>, 11/4/16).

According to the USDA Economic Research Service Food Environment Atlas (<http://www.ers.usda.gov/data-products/food-environment-atlas/go-to-the-atlas/>, 11/4/2016), Chaves County lost 33% of its grocery stores between 2007 and 2012, dropping from nine stores in the County to only six groceries to serve a population of 65,850. One of our potential brownfield sites – 101 East Argyle in Hagerman – is a former grocery. Convenience stores increased from 28 stores in 2007 to 33 in 2012 but are more costly and are limited in the amount and types of healthy, fresh food they provide. Fast-food restaurants are abundant and growing, however, increasing from 30 fast-food restaurants in the County in 2007 to 41 in 2012.

Obesity is just one contributing factor to other diseases that plague our residents, including heart disease and diabetes. Alcohol-related deaths are 78% higher than the national rate. Drug overdose deaths are 48% higher. You can see a pattern in other factors that impact quality of life – our County tops state and national rates for infant mortality, and teen birth rates. Sadly, 36.8% of our children under 5 live in poverty, many of them in the neighborhoods most impacted by contamination. Poverty levels for Chaves County, Roswell, Hagerman, Dexter, and Lake Arthur are high relative to other communities in New Mexico. In Roswell, 22.7% of families live in poverty. Hagerman experienced a significant decrease in the poverty rate between 2010 and 2013, yet 26.9% of its residents still live in poverty.

c. Financial Need

i. Economic Conditions

Historically, economic development and employment have fluctuated between tremendous growth and economic stagnation. The first economic hit occurred in 1967 when Walker Air Force Base closed, resulting in a significant population decrease. Employment generated by Walker AFB was replaced in part by manufacturing jobs, which in turn were impacted by significant plant closures in 1997 (Levi Strauss, 567 jobs) and 2002 (Impact Confections, 305 jobs). Our Coalition needs to ensure it is as active as possible in the assistance it provides to economic development organizations to spur sustainable economic growth. As a small, rural County, resources (property taxes, sales taxes) are scarce and directed toward aging infrastructure improvements to retain and grow existing businesses in a very weak economy. An EPA award would help us breathe new life into our rural downtowns and help entice and retain business.

The Economic Development Strategic Plan for Chaves County (1999), prepared largely in response to the Levi Strauss closing, identifies some of the County's economic issues. The plan involved interviews with 33 government officials, business leaders, minority groups, and school officials. The plan found no real agreement on the economic direction for the County as there were several responses on how to create more jobs. Community leaders also felt that funding for economic development was inadequate. A 2015 Economic Plan prepared by the Roswell-Chaves County Economic Development Corporation noted the lack of an educated, employable work force has had a negative impact on bringing in new business due to lack of adequate work force. Redevelopment of brownfield sites would lead to a greater tax base that would allow funding to improve education programs and create a better-prepared workforce.

Recovering from disasters has an impact on the economic vitality of the area as well as individual pocketbooks. Chaves County was included in a presidential disaster declaration in October 2013 following severe storms, flooding, and mudslides during September 9-22, 2013. (<https://www.fema.gov/news-release/2013/10/29/president-declares-disaster-new-mexico>). The federal government paid \$332,876 and Chaves County was required to meet a 25% match, or \$83,218 in taxpayer funds for the recovery efforts. A local disaster declaration was made on December 28, 2015, for severe damage caused by a blizzard (<http://www.co.chaves.nm.us/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Agenda/01282016-38,11/4/16>). These natural disasters have added to the brownfield effects that this grant funding would help correct.

ii. Economic Effects of Brownfields

While Chaves County's unemployment rate at 7.4% is better than the State of New Mexico (9.6%), the poverty rate is worse (21.9% for the County vs. 20.9% for the state). This indicates residents are employed but not making enough to lift them out of poverty. Median household income for the County is \$40,541 compared with \$44,968 for the state. Roswell (\$38,919) and Hagerman (\$34,474) come in even lower. A SWOT (strengths-weaknesses-opportunities-threats) analysis conducted for our 2015 Comprehensive Plan found our workforce is unskilled and lacks a work ethic; it also found there are few incentives for small business to stay and grow. The analysis found declining enrollment in public schools, loss of major industries, and migration of youth due to lack of jobs. Cleaning up and repurposing brownfields will help increase private ownership and grow the tax base. This is a key goal for our Coalition, as we rely on

property taxes to fund many municipal services. Decreased property values and the resulting decrease in property taxes significantly impact the ability to fund those services.

Chaves County housing is relatively old compared to the rest of the state. The 2015 Chaves County Comprehensive Plan noted the age of housing stock is a particularly strong indicator of community trends and characteristics and can indicate how attractive a community is to potential new residents. The presence of older housing stock also indicates the need for major repairs, inefficient heating and cooling systems, and structural wear and tear. Housing stock in Chaves County is relatively old compared to the rest of the state. The median year structures were built in Chaves County was 1969 versus 1981 for the state as a whole. Approximately 82.1% of the housing stock in Chaves County was built before 1980. The time period that experienced the highest rate of home construction in Chaves County (18.3%) was between 1950 and 1959. For the State of New Mexico as a whole, 51.6% of the housing stock was built since 1980 and the greatest number of homes constructed was between 1970 and 1979.

2. Project Description and Feasibility of Success

a. Project Description, Timing and Implementation

i. Project Description and Alignment with Revitalization Plans

Our Coalition will use the EPA funding to update and add to our existing hazardous materials and petroleum inventory of brownfield sites in the County. This updated inventory will help our Coalition prioritize the assessment of these sites and will accelerate their reuse by providing accessible information to developers. The County will consolidate this information in electronic format and create summary sheets that highlight the most pertinent information about each site that can be distributed to interested developers. EPA funds will also be used to conduct approximately 12 Phase I environmental site assessments (ESAs) on hazardous sites and 12 Phase I ESAs on petroleum sites.

Phase II ESAs will be performed on approximately four hazardous sites and three petroleum sites identified through the brownfield inventory and community involvement efforts. Quality Assurance Project Plans (QAPPs), site-specific Sampling and Analysis Plans (SAPs), and Remedial Action Plans (RAPs) will be developed for each Phase II ESA. EPA will be consulted before any work is conducted on sites that might impact historical properties. Remediation and reuse plans will be created for each Phase II ESA site.

Our Coalition will create a Brownfields Advisory Committee (BAC) to involve the public throughout the process. These efforts will enable development of a sustainable, community-led revitalization strategy that facilitates brownfield cleanup and reuse, encourages equitable development, and removes economic and environmental barriers that hinder brownfield redevelopment. Redeveloping brownfield properties will result in job creation and a stronger tax base while promoting mixed-use infill development, creating needed housing, and developing parks, trails, and green space — **all goals in our Comprehensive Plan.**

The “Revitalize Our Valley” project will work to advance the coordinated infrastructure principles of the Partnership for Sustainable Communities among the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, U.S. Department of Transportation, and EPA. Our project focuses on the PSC’s livability principles:

Promoting equitable, affordable housing by redeveloping illicit dump sites and abandoned properties and creating new greenspace. New housing will include energy-efficient units to promote sustainability and help manage resident utility costs. Proximity to our downtowns and associated revitalization projects allows residents to access low-cost resources and increases economic activity near **public transit.**

Increasing economic competitiveness by turning abandoned sites into ready-to-use lots that attract developers, businesses, and visitors. Our Comprehensive Plan underscores the importance of the Roswell International Air Center (at the site of the former Walker Air Force Base) and new industries locating there.

Equitability is an important concern of our communities as demonstrated by the diversity of housing options contemplated in our Comprehensive Plan – ranging from preserving and reusing historic building stock to building apartments and townhomes to provide much-needed alternatives to large-lot single-family development. Even more critical is access to new forms of employment our revitalization efforts will offer.

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The assessment and eventual cleanup of brownfields will help establish a clean slate to grow better neighborhoods in our communities.

Leveraging federal investment will include effective use of Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) funds, provided to New Mexico counties to help offset losses in property taxes because of nontaxable federal land within their boundaries. Chaves County's 2016 payment totals \$3,095,167.

We will **value our communities and neighborhoods** by protecting our water so people can live healthy lives; promote residential access to greenspace, recreational property, and transit; and provide increased economic opportunity so families can live and thrive in Chaves County. This “Revitalize Our Valley” initiative must adapt or reuse brownfields to accommodate future growth. Limitations on our water supply mean we must make the best use possible of our developable land. Redeveloping brownfields creates opportunities for green building and green infrastructure as part of sustainable redevelopment.

Our Coalition seeks to **support existing communities** by converting vacant downtown buildings into affordable live/work space for residents. We hope to capitalize on our inexpensive real estate and proximity to major markets, and are actively soliciting interest from housing developers. Reuse of existing buildings will allow increased opportunities for equitable and affordable housing. Brownfield redevelopment will support these ongoing community revitalization efforts.

ii. Timing and Implementation

(a) Contractor procurement: Chaves County has the requisite capability to administer the EPA grant funds based on the experience of key staff in federal and state grant management. Examples of previous grant management experience are provided in the “Programmatic Capability” section of this application. Upon award of an EPA Assessment Grant, the Coalition will create a BAC to serve as the public outreach forum. Multiple individuals and organizations will be involved to ensure the project's success. Within two months of grant award, the Coalition will follow the procedures detailed in 40 CFR 31.36 for the procurement process to select the qualified environmental professional (QEP) project team and will release a competitive, public Request for Qualifications to select the team deemed most qualified by a review committee. Our QEP is expected to be under retainer within one month after our Coalition enters into a Cooperative Agreement with the EPA. The Coalition will also immediately begin the site selection process, using the broad knowledge held by local community members and partnered community groups.

To track the grant's success, Chaves County's project manager will record outputs in a comprehensive database. Contractors will report monthly on work performed, including outputs or outcomes. The project manager will summarize outputs/outcomes in quarterly reports to EPA. This will ensure that milestones and deliverables are met/completed in a timely manner (less than three years) and are recorded as they are finished. The project manager will track data for both the Petroleum Assessment Grant and the Hazardous Substances Assessment Grant and will enter pertinent information into EPA's Assessment, Cleanup, and Redevelopment Exchange System (ACRES) database within 15 days following completion of a Phase I or II ESA. Information entered into ACRES will be complete, accurate, and include property attributes, assessment activities, contaminants and media, institutional and engineering controls, cleanup requirements, and redevelopment and leveraging accomplishments. A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) documenting the Coalition's site selection process will be drafted before expending any funds awarded. Our Coalition will agree internally on distribution of funds and mechanisms for implementing assessment work.

Coalition project manager Marlin Johnson will manage the schedule and administer the funding and grant tasks within the three-year grant period. He will work with Coalition partners to select a QEP. Within two months of securing a QEP, our Coalition will update our existing site inventory. We anticipate selecting sites and conducting two to three Phase I ESAs within two to four months of grant award. We expect to submit our QAPP for approval within three months of QEP selection. Within five to six months of our Cooperative Agreement, we anticipate conducting several Phase II assessments. Both our grant award and

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QEP selection will be communicated to the community in a public information meeting while our BAC will meet quarterly and will maintain the flexibility to discuss site selection as needed.

(b) Site Inventory: We will use this funding and human resources to inventory and plan for assessment and redevelopment of multiple sites to improve public health, stabilize challenged neighborhoods and downtowns, mitigate community health issues, and generate new economic growth. Our Coalition will expand our preliminary inventory efforts, completed as part of this application process, to complete a comprehensive brownfield inventory within the “Revitalize Our Valley” target area. We will incorporate market analysis, perform site reuse option analyses, and apply real estate strategy to prioritize opportunities and help focus assessment dollars on the most feasible sites/redevelopment areas.

We have four ingredients for revitalization: (1) environmental cleanup to advance public health goals; (2) redevelopment and reinvestment potential; (3) landowner interest because without it our time will not be well spent; and (4) catalyst potential and ability to create a domino effect for redevelopment. Our inventory development will include outreach to the real estate/development community; meetings with site owners, businesses, and other stakeholders; and review of New Mexico Environment Department and New Mexico Petroleum Storage Tank Bureau databases to identify sites with documented, suspected, or potential impacts. We will examine historic resources such as Sanborn maps, city directories, aerial photographs, and other available archives (i.e., historic assessor files) to identify additional potential impacted sites. The Coalition will then apply a scoring/ranking system to develop a short-list of the top opportunity sites.

When prioritizing sites for assessment, we will examine: (1) short- and long-term economic development potential opportunities; (2) known/suspected threats to public health; (3) known/suspected environmental impacts; (4) degree of blight and underutilization; (5) tax delinquency status; (6) community concerns; and (7) site eligibility criteria. We will also consider landowner willingness and access issues when prioritizing privately owned sites. Our Coalition has extensive experience identifying and resolving land ownership, liability, zoning, permitting, and entitlement issues. The success of our brownfields initiative will not only be measured by the number of sites prioritized or assessed, but also by how well we can diminish or eliminate environmental and social injustices caused by brownfield sites as they are remediated and redeveloped.

Governance Structure: Chaves County, the City of Roswell, and Towns of Hagerman, Lake Arthur, and Dexter have formed a Coalition to apply for this Coalition Assessment Grant. All are general purpose units of government. Chaves County will be the grant recipient, Coalition lead, and point of contact for grant activities. Our Coalition communities have conducted important area revitalization planning that identified areas in need of revitalization and new investment that are tangibly impacted by brownfields. We will work together to select and prioritize brownfield sites in each community.

(c) Site Access: Site access issues, including landowner willingness, will be addressed and taken into account during the prioritization process. We will use outcomes of the site identification and prioritization process to direct most grant funds to environmental assessment of the highest-ranking sites beginning with Phase I ESAs and moving into Phase II ESAs as warranted. We will work cooperatively with EPA to ensure the eligibility of selected assessment sites and will pursue site access authorization from the owners. If eligibility or authorization is not obtained, we will move down the list of priorities to the next highest-ranking site where these can be obtained. During our initial redevelopment planning process, we met with several landowners and businesses in Roswell and our rural communities to hear their thoughts on the potential reuse of properties and review ideas. This early planning process helped create “champions” who will be advocates for our “Revitalize Our Valley” brownfield redevelopment activities. Coalition manager Marlin Johnson and our QEP will be our principal sources of landowner communication.

b. Task Descriptions and Budget Table

i. Task Descriptions

Task 1 – Programmatic Costs (\$31,000 grant-funded activities + \$3,000 voluntary match): The budget includes \$3,000/grant for two coalition staff (Marlin Johnson, County planning director, and Joe Sedillo, County finance director) to attend two three-day national and one regional brownfield conferences. Estimated travel costs include airfare (\$1,500/two people/two national conferences = \$3,000) plus hotels, meals, and incidental costs (\$400/person/day/two national conferences = \$2,400) for a total of \$5,400. In addition, one person will attend one regional conference for an estimated travel cost of \$600. Total travel is anticipated to be \$6,000 for the life of the grant. In addition, \$25,000 is budgeted for contractual costs for reporting and other eligible activities to support task deliverables: quarterly reports, ACRES updates, DBE reports, financial reports, and project closeout report. Voluntary match is estimated at \$3,000 (75 hours at \$40/hour) for staff time to assist with eligible grant management and reporting activities. Most programmatic costs will be outsourced to an experienced consultant retained by the Coalition.

Task 2 – Community Outreach (\$30,000 grant-funded activities + \$6,000 voluntary match): This includes: (1) coordinating and conducting at least six meetings with stakeholders (including forming a BAC); (2) implementing meaningful public input into the grant processes; (3) preparing and publishing public notices; (4) preparing meeting materials and presentations; and (5) preparing and distributing brochures and other public information materials. The community outreach budget includes \$15,000/grant for the Coalition's QEP to facilitate community outreach meetings, produce informational materials, and assist with site-specific outreach. The budget includes County personnel voluntary matching costs of \$3,000/grant (75 hours/grant at \$40/hour) to assist with community outreach for a total of \$6,000 voluntary match. Outputs include a public involvement plan, project website, fact sheets, informational materials, and minutes. As noted in the letters of support in Appendix B, community-based organizations and agency partners have pledged additional in-kind (labor) contributions to assist with research, outreach, and BAC participation.

Task 3 – Site Inventory, Selection, and Planning (\$42,000 grant-funded activities+ \$4,000 voluntary match): Task 3 will engage Chaves County residents in a comprehensive site identification and evaluation process. Data gathered during the inventory will be integrated with existing City, Town, and County databases. The inventory will become a long-term planning tool to better understand economic and health impacts associated with brownfields, identify potential issues during infrastructure improvement projects, and support other local initiatives. Our Coalition and QEP will: (1) conduct tours/windshield surveys of priority focus areas to identify potential petroleum and hazardous substance brownfield sites and verify conditions; (2) review the Coalition's municipal records relevant to identification of brownfields (occupancy, permits, tax delinquency status, crime violations, police responses, etc.); (3) review historical Sanborn maps and other historical resources to identify past manufacturing facilities, gasoline/auto repair stations, drycleaners, and other sites with potential for historic environmental impacts; (4) survey local developers, real estate industry representatives, and other stakeholders for information on vacant and underused commercial/industrial properties; and (5) review Chaves County and New Mexico Department of Health records to verify that all sites with known/suspected impacts or threats to public health are included in the prioritization process. The budget (for each hazardous substance/petroleum inventory) includes Coalition personnel costs of \$2,000/grant (50 hours at an average of \$40/hour) to assist with inventory and prioritization tasks for a total of a \$4,000 voluntary match. The budget including both grants includes contractual services of \$42,000 (420 hours at an average of \$100/hour) to perform property inspections, conduct records review, and assist with prioritization and includes project management hours for our QEP. Outputs include brownfield inventory report and GIS overlay of brownfield sites over aerial photographs.

Task 4 – Site Assessment (\$443,000 grant-funded activities + \$4,000 voluntary match): Under direction of the Coalition, the QEP will complete an estimated 19 Phase I ESAs at up to 6 high-priority petroleum and 13 hazardous substance brownfield sites throughout Coalition communities. Phase I ESAs will be

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performed in accordance with All Appropriate Inquiries Final Rule and standards set forth in the ASTM E1527-13 Phase I ESA Process. The QEP will complete 19 Phase I ESAs, including SEDs and ACRES updates, at an average \$6,000 (total cost of \$114,000). Outputs include SEDs, ACRES reporting, ESA reports, and project website maintenance. The QEP will: (1) prepare a comprehensive QAPP (estimated at \$10,000 [\$5,000/grant]); (2) complete Phase II ESAs at three high-priority petroleum and five hazardous substance sites (average cost of \$20,000 [\$160,000 total]); (3) complete supplemental Phase II ESAs at one petroleum and five hazardous substance sites (average cost of \$24,500 [\$147,000 total]); and (4) plan activities for two focus areas for a total of \$12,000. Phase II ESA costs include site-specific SAPs and Health and Safety Plans (HSPs). Outputs include QAPP, SAPs/HSPs, ESAs, RAPs, etc. Coalition voluntary match is estimated at \$4,000, which includes Coalition personnel costs of \$2,000/grant (50 hours at \$40/hour) to assist with data acquisition and report review and distribution.

Task 5 – Remediation Action Planning (\$54,000 grant funded activities + \$2,500 voluntary match): This includes preparing comprehensive Analysis of Brownfield Cleanup Alternatives (ABCA) and RAPs to address individual site contamination identified in previous tasks. Plans will follow guidelines issued by the New Mexico Environment Department under Remedy Selection and Implementation for sites within the Voluntary Remediation Program and will incorporate projected development plans and long-term goals for the properties. We assume six hazardous substances sites and three petroleum sites will require preparation of these plans at approximately \$6,000 per site for an estimated \$54,000. The Coalition estimates approximately \$2,500 of “in-kind” staff time (primarily public notification activities and staff planning time) to assist in remedial planning (approximately 62 hours at \$40/hour). Outputs include future brownfield site renderings, visioning sessions, and ABCAs, for redevelopment of brownfield sites.

ii. Budget Table

Budget Categories	Project Tasks (\$) (programmatic costs only)					
	Task 1 Program	Task 2 Outreach	Task 3 Inventory	Task 4 Assessment	Task 5 Planning	Total
Travel-H	\$3,000					\$3,000
Travel-P	\$3,000					\$3,000
Contractual*-H	\$13,500	\$15,000	\$21,000	\$311,500	\$36,000	\$397,000
Contractual*-P	\$11,500	\$15,000	\$21,000	\$131,500	\$18,000	\$197,000
Total Budget	\$31,000	\$30,000	\$42,000	\$443,000	\$54,000	\$600,000
H – hazardous substances; P – petroleum; The Coalition will comply with procurement procedures outlined in 40 CFR 31.36. No equipment will be required for this assessment grant. Supplies will be Coalition's in-kind contribution. Personnel and fringe benefit costs are Coalition's voluntary match by providing the services of County personnel.						

c. Ability to Leverage

The Coalition is willing to meet assessment and other needs of the Chaves County redevelopment projects that are not met through this grant through general tax revenues, tax incremental funding, and in-kind assistance valued at \$19,500 from qualified staff such as the County manager, economic development administrator, planner, attorney, and finance director and City of Roswell staff. Moreover, NMED will support the City by providing technical review and support for the assessments undertaken with the grant, as well as support for creating and updating an inventory of brownfield sites. NMED estimates the value of their staff time to be at least \$15,000 (see attachment to cover letter).

The County will commit future staff time to identifying potential funding options to assist with brownfield redevelopment. This “in-kind” time will include conducting meetings with developers, state agencies, and

the public. Counties across New Mexico will receive more than \$37.7 million through the 2016 Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) program, including \$3,095,167 to Chaves County (<http://www.artesianews.com/1316286/n-m-counties-to-receive-3-7m-in-pilt-payments.html>, 11/4/16). PILT provides federal payments to local governments to help offset losses in property taxes because of nontaxable federal land within their boundaries. Chaves County is able to use PILT funding for infrastructure needs and public services.

3. Community Engagement and Partnerships

a. Engaging the Community

i. Community Involvement Plan

Community involvement was a fundamental concept in the County’s 2015 Comprehensive Plan. A 17-person steering committee comprising County residents, local elected officials, City of Roswell and Chaves County staff, and Bureau of Land Management representatives was tasked with reviewing draft sections of the Comprehensive Plan, which was an update of a plan adopted in 2004. The committee mailed 3,000 surveys to owners of property located outside incorporated cities or towns and published the survey in the Roswell Daily Record, which has distribution in all our Coalition communities; 1,119 surveys were returned. Significant responses from the survey included:

- 95% of respondents agreed that water quality and quantity is critical for the future of Chaves County.
- 77% agreed that infrastructure needs improvement to promote economic development.
- 71% agreed that abandoned, rundown, dilapidated properties and buildings are a major problem.
- 78% agreed that ordinances/regulations are needed to address illegal dumping, junk, trash, and weeds.

Our Coalition will continue this trend of community involvement throughout the implementation of an EPA Assessment Coalition Grant. We will establish a BAC to serve as the public outreach forum, seeking representation from every Coalition member and organizations who have committed their support. We will involve the BAC and stakeholders in such activities as site walk-overs to increase awareness.

ii. Communicating Progress

Residents will be kept informed through public meetings, updates on the County website, and flyers and other publications, ensuring that the Coalition communicates with and seeks input from the widest range of citizenry possible. This is a poor region with limited broadband access; face-to-face meetings will be crucial to keeping people informed. The dominant language in the study area is English and is the language used by local newspapers to print legal announcements. Since many Spanish-speaking community members will be part of this “Revitalize Our Valley” effort, public notices will be translated and published in Spanish, and Spanish language interpreters will be provided by the County at public meetings, as needed.

b. Partnerships with Government Agencies

i. Local/State/Tribal Environmental Authority

Our Coalition recognizes the need to involve multiple authorities and local offices and develop intergovernmental agreements. We will work closely with the New Mexico Environment Department Ground Water Quality Bureau Voluntary Remediation Program (VRP). The letter of support from the New Mexico Environment Department Ground Water Quality Bureau Brownfields Program is included as an attachment. The Ground Water Quality Bureau Brownfields Program staff will provide valuable guidance and oversight of the assessment and redevelopment process.

ii. Other Governmental Partnerships

Relationships between the County and other government and local agencies were developed during creation of our Comprehensive Plan. These agencies collaborate on community projects and planning and will continue to do so during implementation of our Assessment Coalition Grant. Groups include Roswell, Dexter, Hagerman, and Lake Arthur School Districts, County Parks Advisory Board, and New Mexico Department of Health’s Public Health Division Southwest Region, which has volunteered to be part of the BAC. Other state and/or federal agencies will be involved when RAPs and ABCAs are prepared before site remediation and once sites are entered into the VRP, if appropriate.

c. Partnerships with Community Organizations

i. Community Organization Description & Role

Numerous organizations are devoted to promoting economic development in the County. Our Coalition will continue to meet with a variety of community organizations to gather input and keep the community informed about redevelopment projects. These organizations have provided letters of support and will be deeply involved in the grant implementation grant:

- Dexter Consolidated Schools, Hagerman Municipal Schools, and Lake Arthur Municipal Schools, which would benefit from efforts to make their communities a better place for businesses and families. They note that the lack of housing limits their ability to attract and retain new teachers.
- Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell, which offers its students and resources to move the project forward and share in its success. The university president notes potential for students to assist in public outreach, market evaluation, greenspace/trail design, Main Street renderings, or graphic design. Experts could be invited into classrooms to present guest lectures on the benefits of the project.
- New Mexico Department of Health Public Health Division, whose Southeast Region office is eager to be part of the advisory committee to assist in creating healthy and safe communities.
- Eastern New Mexico Medical Center, which will assist with assessment, possible remediation, and redevelopment efforts and provide its organizational resources to help with this effort.

ii. Letters of Commitment – See attachment to proposal.

d. Partnerships with Workforce Development Programs

A key initiative for this effort is to train local workers who can play a key role in the assessment process. We will partner with the New Mexico Workforce Connection Center (NMWCC), which provides job placement and training to individuals, including all youth, in Chaves, Union, Harding, Quay, Guadalupe, Curry, Roosevelt, DeBaca, Eddy, Lea, Otero, and Lincoln Counties. NMWCC provides access to many agencies and programs in the same facility through interagency cooperation and coordination. This will provide hands-on training opportunities for unemployed and underemployed area residents.

4. Project Benefits

a. Welfare, Environmental, and Public Health Benefits

An assessment grant will help our Coalition promote vibrant, equitable, and healthy communities through the redevelopment of community brownfields. This grant will enable our Coalition to review and prioritize the brownfield sites that are most damaging to our precious water supply, protecting the aquifer by cleaning up contaminated sites and cracking down on illegal dumping. This “Revitalize Our Valley” effort will focus on correcting disparities found in our rural communities by cleaning up blighted and abandoned structures and environmental contamination. Assessment activities will pave the road for healthier, safer housing choices and connections to economic development and employment opportunities.

The community engagement that will be part of grant implementation will increase community awareness of public health and environmental contamination issues associated with brownfield sites. As the extent and nature of environmental contamination is determined, community members will better understand how to limit exposure to contaminants. This community engagement will also facilitate site redevelopment, as residents will become aware of the benefits associated with reusing brownfield sites.

b. Economic and Community Benefits

The EPA Brownfields Program works to prevent, assess, safely cleanup, and sustainably reuse brownfields – and that is our Coalition’s goal as well. Our “Revitalize Our Valley” initiative seeks to assess properties in our urban centers and ultimately attract businesses that will make use of existing infrastructure. Redeveloping blighted properties would raise the property values of neighboring properties and promote dense, smart growth infill while protecting our water supply. Our county and state governments would benefit from increased sales taxes due to increased housing and higher commercial density. This “Revitalize Our Valley” initiative will catalyze new employment (permanent, remediation, and

construction), property investment, and value in our rural communities. Our Coalition will work with workforce development organizations to promote local hiring for potential employment opportunities related to the brownfield assessment, cleanup, and redevelopment. Site identification, prioritization, and environmental assessment will provide vital knowledge to stimulate remediation and redevelopment at priority sites that can then act as catalysts for further market-driven reinvestment. Environmental assessments will provide crucial information to facilitate economic reuse.

Linking Chaves County's natural, cultural, and historic resources can help to preserve our small-town character and strong sense of community, while creating new economic opportunities. Areas redeveloped as parks and environmental buffers afford mental and physical health benefits to users. The green space creation on brownfield properties will facilitate natural stormwater management, slowing runoff and increasing infiltration. Created green space could potentially host regional stormwater management.

5. Programmatic Capability and Past Performance

a. Audit Findings

Chaves County has received excellent audits in the last six years and no adverse audits. There have been no problems associated with grant administration. All audit opinions have been “Unmodified.” The audits for 2014 and 2015 are CAFR financial statements. Chaves County received the NMAC 2013 award for Mid-Size County Audit Achievement for Fiscal Year 2013. The Government Finance Officers Association awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for our comprehensive annual financial report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2014.

b. Programmatic Capability

The Coalition EPA grant manager will be Marlin Johnson, Chaves County planning director. Marlin, who has 14 years of experience in community development, has been with the County's Planning Department for five years and has worked closely with the Roswell-Chaves County Economic Development Corporation. He was a planning director in several other communities before joining Chaves County and is familiar with the EPA Brownfield Grant process. He expanded his knowledge by attending the 2016 Region 6 EPA Brownfields Conference in Dallas. The small rural nature of our Coalition dictates that the programmatic planning and implementation be conducted by our County staff as our smaller communities have limited in-house staff or capacity to manage our “Revitalize Our Valley” initiative and grant awards. Our ability and capacity to manage an EPA grant award coincides with the **EPA Region 6 priority** of assistance to communities with limited resources to manage brownfield projects.

Marlin will collaborate with County chief financial officer Joe Sedillo, who has 16 years of experience as a finance director in county government and higher education, managing federal and state grants. Also assisting will be Anabel Barraza, CPO, assistant finance director, who has four years' experience in budget management and audit compliance inclusive of all our major federal and state grants; and Georgianna Hunt, project specialist in community development, who has 18 years' experience working with federal and state grant appropriations. We do not anticipate any change in project leadership, but should the need arise to recruit new leadership, we will ensure that all new hires have experience in managing large federal grants, specifically EPA Brownfields Grants. All contracts with outside consultants will be competitively awarded in compliance with Procurement Standards in 40 CFR Part 30 or 40 CFR Part 31.36, as appropriate.

Our Coalition understands that additional technical expertise and resources will be needed to effectively complete the brownfield assessment project. We will follow federal guidelines to retain a QEP through a qualifications-based bid process, evaluating (1) number of EPA grants the consultants have helped manage; (2) consultants' understanding of the Assessment Grant process and QAPPs, and (3) consultants' understanding and ability to help with community outreach and education. Consultants will be evaluated on their experience with New Mexico environmental regulations and EPA requirements and policies;

environmental due diligence; transactions of environmentally impaired property; ESAs; brownfield redevelopment and financing; and community outreach activities.

c. Measuring Environmental Results: Anticipated Outputs/Outcomes

To assure the “Revitalize Our Valley” project meets key milestones and desired outcomes, our Coalition will document, track, and evaluate: (1) running tally of sites assessed; (2) number of brownfield sites that change ownership; (3) acres redeveloped and square footage of buildings positioned for adaptive reuse; (4) acres of parks/green space created; (5) length of walking/bike trails created; (6) private investment dollars leveraged; (7) other funding leveraged; (8) FTE/LTE jobs created or retained; (9) increased property and sales tax revenue generated; (10) number of buildings seeking LEED certification; and (11) reduction in stormwater impacts and vehicle miles traveled. Progress will be reported to EPA via quarterly progress reports and ACRES database updates to maintain the work plan and cooperative agreement schedule.

d. Past Performance and Accomplishments

ii. Has Not Received an EPA Brownfields Grant but has Received Other Federal or Non-Federal Assistance Agreements

1. Purpose and Accomplishments

Although Chaves County has never received an EPA Brownfields Grant, the County has successfully administered grant funding from other federal and state agencies:

- ✓ Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), 2010-2013, street and storm drainage improvements –Hagerman Subdivision Project, \$500,000.
- ✓ American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) grant benefiting road construction, Chaves County, \$127,228.
- ✓ PILT federal source funding, 2010-2016, various unrestricted projects including Economic Development Corporation and emergency fire and ambulance services in Lake Arthur, Hagerman, Dexter, and Roswell, \$20,528,102.
- ✓ Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funds, 2015, used to repair flooding damage to bridges within Chaves County, \$194,091.
- ✓ Various other grants from U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Department of Interior, Taylor Grazing Act, Wildland-Urban Interface Community Assistance.

2. Compliance with Grant Requirements

- ✓ CDBG – Street and Storm Drainage Improvements-Hagerman Subdivision Project initiated with an engineer's professional assessment planning and scope of work. City adhered to project work plans, schedules, and all terms and conditions in the funding agreement; no corrective measures required.
- ✓ ARRA – Street construction planning and designed engineered road project. Project had a six-month completion date; all funds were expended and all reports completed according to grant requirements. No corrective measures noted.
- ✓ FEMA – 18-month project with multiple sites within Chaves County. Quarterly reporting adhered to and no change to the original scope of work, monitored by the Department of Homeland Security. Goals, objectives, and timeliness met with no corrective measures.
- ✓ PILT – A nonrestrictive fund, no measurement is directly associated with a particular project. Overall government operational controls take precedence, such as internal controls measurement and evaluation with budgetary allocations and restrictions. Controls are monitored by local governance and management and approved at state level (New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration). External audits done yearly.

Appendix 3 – Regional Priorities Form/Other Factors Checklist

Name of Applicant: Chaves County, New Mexico (lead Coalition entity)

Regional Priorities Other Factor

If your proposed Brownfields Assessment project will advance the regional priority(ies) identified in Section I.F., please indicate the regional priority(ies) and the page number(s) for where the information can be found within your 15-page narrative. Only address the priority(ies) for the region in which your project is located. EPA will verify these disclosures prior to selection and may consider this information during the selection process. If this information is not clearly discussed in your narrative proposal, it will not be considered during the selection process.

Regional Priority Title(s):

Assistance to Communities That Have Limited In-House Capacity to Manage Brownfields Projects

Page Number(s): **Pages 1, 8, 11, 14**

This regional priority includes proposed projects that provide support to communities that have limited capacity or administrative infrastructure to effectively manage brownfields programs. Proposals that include partnerships among governmental entities having shared jurisdiction over the targeted sites (e.g., state, regional authorities, local governments) relate to this priority.

Chaves County wants to assist our greater community by being the lead applicant for an EPA Assessment Grant with support from our Coalition partners: the City of Roswell and the Towns of Dexter, Hagerman, and Lake Arthur. Each of our individual communities maintains its own school district, which now represent the lifeline for the smaller entities. Chaves County encompasses 6,065 square miles or approximately 3,881,600 acres. Land ownership within the County falls into three categories: federal, state trust, and private. Federal land makes up approximately 34% of the total land area (1,303,439 acres) and is managed by a number of agencies including the Bureau of Land Management, the U.S. Forest Service, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Bureau of Reclamation, and the U.S. military. State trust land comprises approximately 26% (1,019,653 acres) and is managed by the New Mexico State Land Office. The remaining land, approximately 40% (1,756,952 acres), is in private ownership. Because of our location and history, by necessity, we have had to develop many strong governmental partnerships among our Coalition partners to effectively manage the business of our County and communities. We expect those existing partnerships will be very valuable to us as we embark on this “Revitalize Our Valley” brownfield project.

Chaves County is very lightly populated with the biggest city in the County being Roswell, with a population of approximately 48,456. Our next largest community is Dexter with a population of 1,510. Our third-largest community is Hagerman at 1,158 and the only other town in our small county is Lake Arthur with 424 people. Most of our communities do not have the internal resources or infrastructure to manage an EPA grant like our County has.

Assessment Other Factors Checklist

Please identify (with an *x*) which, if any of the below items apply to your community or your project as described in your proposal. To be considered for an Other Factor, you must include the page number where each applicable factor is discussed in your proposal. EPA will verify these disclosures prior to selection and may consider this information during the selection process. If this information is not clearly discussed in your narrative proposal or in any other attachments, it will not be considered during the selection process.

Other Factor	Page #
<i>None of the Other Factors are applicable.</i>	
Community population is 10,000 or less.	
Applicant is, or will assist, a federally recognized Indian tribe or United States territory.	
Targeted brownfield sites are impacted by mine-scarred land.	
Project is primarily focusing on Phase II assessments.	
Applicant demonstrates firm leveraging commitments for facilitating brownfield project completion by identifying amounts and contributors of funding in the proposal and have included documentation. X	8, 10-12
Recent (2008 or later) significant economic disruption has occurred within community, resulting in a significant percentage loss of community jobs and tax base.	
Applicant is one of the 24 recipients, or a core partner/implementation strategy party, of a “manufacturing community” designation provided by the Economic Development Administration (EDA) under the Investing in Manufacturing Communities Partnership (IMCP). To be considered, applicants must clearly demonstrate in the proposal the nexus between their IMCP designation and the Brownfield activities. Additionally, applicants must attach documentation which demonstrate either designation as one of the 24 recipients, or relevant pages from a recipient’s IMCP proposal which lists/describes the core partners and implementation strategy parties.	
Applicant is a recipient or a core partner of HUD-DOT-EPA Partnership for Sustainable Communities (PSC) grant funding or technical assistance that is directly tied to the proposed Brownfields project, and can demonstrate that funding from a PSC grant/technical assistance has or will benefit the project area. Examples of PSC grant or technical assistance include a HUD Regional Planning or Challenge grant, DOT Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER), or EPA Smart Growth Implementation or Building Blocks Assistance, etc. To be considered, applicant must attach documentation.	
Applicant is a recipient of an EPA Brownfields Area-Wide Planning grant.	



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**RE: Chaves County Brownfields Community-wide Assessment Grant Proposal – State
Acknowledgement and Leveraging/Support Letter**

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) acknowledges and supports the intent of Chaves County to apply on behalf of a coalition for a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Brownfields Community-wide Assessment Grant. NMED agrees that assessment grant funds will serve as an important component of the effort to characterize and redevelop brownfield sites throughout Chaves County. This will be a tremendous public health and welfare benefit to the communities within Chaves County.

NMED will support the County by providing technical review and support for the assessments undertaken with the grant, as well as support for creating and updating a County inventory of brownfield sites. NMED estimates the value of staff time to be at least \$15,000. NMED can also partner with the County by providing loans to eligible applicants within the region through its Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund for cleanups that lead to property reuse and redevelopment.

NMED looks forward to a favorable response from EPA on your application. If you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 827-0078.

Sincerely,

Ali Furmall, Program Manager
Remediation Oversight Section
Ground Water Quality Bureau

cc: Paul Johnson, USEPA Region VI, Johnson.Paul@epa.gov
Mary Kemp, USEPA Region VI, Kemp.Mary@epa.gov
Denise Williams, USEPA Region VI, Williams.Denise@epa.gov
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**Attachment A:
Documentation
for Leveraged Funding**

“Revitalize Our Valley”

Chaves County, New Mexico

**USEPA Brownfield Assessment Coalition Petroleum
and Hazardous Materials Assessment Grants**

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August 25, 2015

James W. Duffey, Commission Chair
Chaves County
P.O. Box 1817
1600 SE Main Suite
Roswell, NM 88202-1817

RE: CDBG Grant No. 15-C-NR-I-03-G-11
Public Facility

Dear Mr. Duffey:

It is my pleasure to inform you that your 2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application referenced above, in the amount of \$499,412.00, was approved at the June 16, 2015 meeting of the New Mexico Community Development Council.

Please be aware that you cannot expend or incur costs against this grant until a grant agreement with the Local Government Division has been fully executed.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call Jolene Slown, Bureau Chief at (505) 827-4974 or Maxx Hendren, your Project Manager at (505) 827-4797.

Sincerely,

A blue ink signature of Rick Lopez, written in a cursive style.

Rick Lopez, Director
Local Government

xc: Jolene Slown, Community Development Bureau (CDB) Chief
Maxx Hendren, CDB Project Manager

NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
FEMA-4152-DR-NM * * * * * SUB-GRANT AGREEMENT AMENDMENT (AWARD CHANGE)

CFDA 97.036: PUBLIC ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM

FEMA IDENTIFIER: FEMA-4152-DR-NM **STATE IDENTIFIER:** EO 2013-031
SUB-GRANT AGREEMENT NUMBER: FEMA-4152-010
AMENDMENT NUMBER: A1
GRANTOR: NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (DHSEM)
GRANTOR ADDRESS: RECOVERY UNIT, PO BOX 27111 (13 BATAAN BLVD.), SANTA FE, NM 87502
GRANTOR CONTACT INFORMATION: Brian Williams
Phone 505-476-9601
Fax 505-476-9650
Email brian.williams@state.nm.us
SUB-GRANTEE NAME (APPLICANT): Chaves County
APPLICANT ADDRESS: 1 St. Mary's Place
Roswell, NM 88203

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This Sub-grant Agreement Amendment is made in good faith between the Grantor and Sub-Grantee named above, effective as of the date of the signature of the Secretary of DHSEM on the last page of this Amendment.

The Sub-Grantee is reminded to submit to DHSEM a Quarterly Report for all large projects no later than the 15th of the month following the end of a Quarter.

All terms, conditions, and certifications, and performance periods of the original Sub-grant Agreement remain in effect unless altered herein. The default performance period for all Category A and B projects is six months from the declaration date, which is April 29, 2013. The default performance period for all other categories of work is 18 months from the declaration date, which is June 29, 2015.

The Sub-Grant Award is increased by the following amount: \$18,623.15

The Sub-Grant totals effective with this Amendment are as follows:

The new TOTAL AWARD is:	\$252,432.25
The new FEDERAL SHARE is:	\$189,324.19
The new STATE SHARE is:	\$ 31,554.03
The new APPLICANT SHARE is:	\$ 31,554.03

These amounts represent the maximum amounts that have been obligated. Final payment is based on actual costs which may be less than given above.

This award represents the following Project Worksheets for the amounts given:

Bundle #	4	PW 029	\$ 15,963.54
Bundle #	4	PW 040	\$ 2,659.61

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Udall, Heinrich Announce NM Counties to Receive \$37.7 Million in PILT Payments to Support Schools, Roads, First Responders, Crucial Services in Rural Communities

June 23, 2016

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WASHINGTON - Today, U.S. Senators Tom Udall and Martin Heinrich announced that counties across New Mexico will receive more than \$37.7 million through the 2016 Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) program. The total is a \$3.2 million increase from the total payments the state received last year, partly due to the advocacy of Udall and Heinrich. A full list of funding by county is included below.

PILT provides federal payments to local governments to help offset losses in property taxes because of nontaxable federal land within their jurisdictions, including national parks and forests, wildlife refuges, Bureau of Land Management land and military bases. Local governments use PILT funding to provide police, fire protection, emergency response, road maintenance and other crucial services to residents.

"I'm proud to fight for the funding that counties throughout New Mexico rely on to deliver critical services, like schools, roads and public safety," Udall said. "New Mexico is proud to host our military bases, national monuments and other facilities that support our economy and generate tourism in our state. But local governments need budget certainty to ensure that all New Mexicans receive consistent basic services. We currently fund PILT year by year, but that isn't good enough, and as a member of the Senate Appropriations committee, I'll continue to work for full, permanent funding to ensure local communities have the economic security they need."

"Rural communities across New Mexico use PILT funds to provide for emergency response, maintain roads and bridges, and support local jobs," Heinrich said. "I am proud that we were successful in securing funding for this year's payments, but we still need permanent funding for PILT. Longterm, predictable funding is incredibly important to counties in New Mexico, and I will continue to push for full, permanent PILT funding so they have the budget certainty they need."

After years of funding PILT inconsistently, in 2008 Congress fully and

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automatically funded PILT for five years. In a 2012 transportation bill, full funding was extended for another year, leaving the future beyond 2013 uncertain. Udall and Heinrich have successfully secured PILT funding every year since and continue to fight for a long-term solution.

The PILT program is administered by the Department of the Interior. The department calculates annual payments to local governments based on the number of acres of federal entitlement land within each county or jurisdiction and the population of that county or jurisdiction. The lands include the National Forest and National Park Systems, lands in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Refuge System, areas managed by the Bureau of Land Management, areas affected by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Bureau of Reclamation water resource development projects, and others.

New Mexico PILT Payments for fiscal year 2016:

- BERNALILLO COUNTY - \$202,561
- CATRON COUNTY - \$621,950
- CHAVES COUNTY - \$3,095,167
- CIBOLA COUNTY - \$1,834,429
- COLFAX COUNTY - \$161,766
- DE BACA COUNTY - \$109,423
- DONA ANA COUNTY - \$3,065,286
- EDDY COUNTY - \$3,435,195
- GRANT COUNTY - \$2,130,365
- GUADALUPE COUNTY - \$160,643
- HARDING COUNTY - \$117,996
- HIDALGO COUNTY - \$749,220
- LEA COUNTY - \$1,089,110
- LINCOLN COUNTY - \$1,738,123
- LOS ALAMOS COUNTY - \$86,665
- LUNA COUNTY - \$1,922,647
- MCKINLEY COUNTY - \$914,129
- MORA COUNTY - \$234,096
- OTERO COUNTY - \$3,166,859
- QUAY COUNTY - \$4,659
- RIO ARriba COUNTY - \$2,234,329
- ROOSEVELT COUNTY - \$27,810
- SAN JUAN COUNTY - \$2,224,906
- SAN MIGUEL COUNTY - \$836,134
- SANDOVAL COUNTY - \$2,142,162
- SANTA FE COUNTY - \$705,425
- SIERRA COUNTY - \$1,158,994
- SOCORRO COUNTY - \$1,360,942
- TAOS COUNTY - \$1,674,918
- TORRANCE COUNTY - \$332,953
- UNION COUNTY - \$151,620
- VALENCIA COUNTY - \$80,472

STATE TOTAL - \$37,770,954

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County of Chaves in Roswell, NM - Contracting Profile Summary (HQs and Subsidiaries)



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Total Contracts (2000-2014): 8
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Obligation Amount
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\$0

Total Obligation
Amount (2000-2014) ⓘ
\$521,066

This **summary profile** includes information for the company headquarters and all related subsidiaries. For contracting info on the related contractors, scroll to the bottom.

Last year, **County of Chaves** did not win any contracts. Since 2000, the contractor has performed 8 contracts with a total obligation amount of \$521,065.50, which means County of Chaves has completed contracts worth relatively the same amount as the median for all government contractors. The

Number of Contracts
(2014) ⓘ

0

Total Contracts (2000-
2014) ⓘ

8

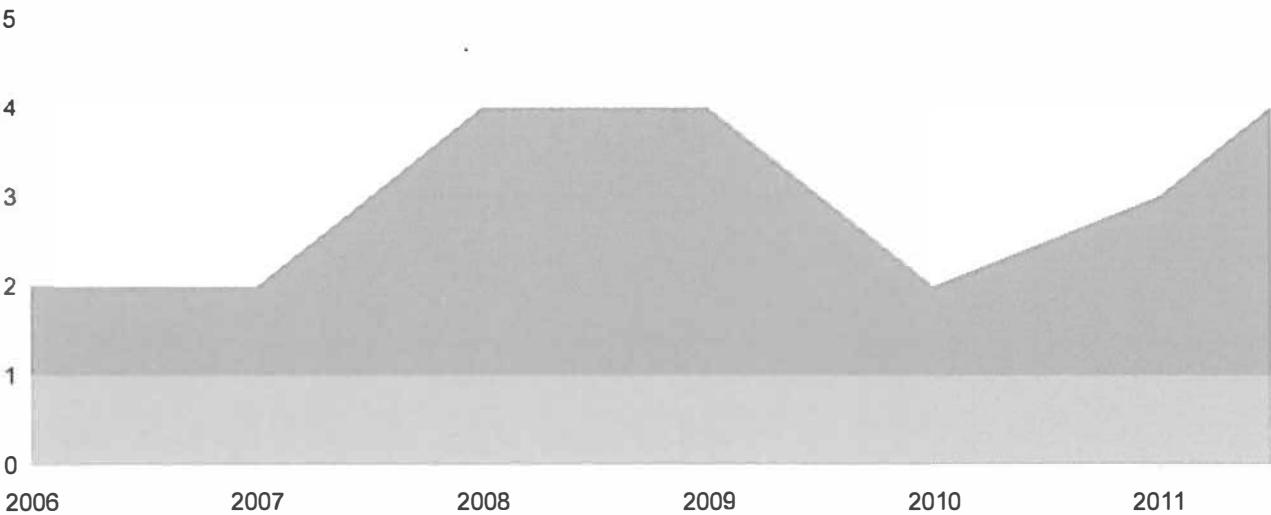
average obligation amount for their contracts is \$65,133.

Data is from [USASpending.gov](#).

Obligation Amount Over Time by Department

Number of Contracts Over Time by Department

☐ Department of Defense ☐ Department of Homeland Security



- The graphs relate to the **fiscal year** (October 1 of the previous year to September 30).
- The 2014 amount includes contracts since October 1, 2013 and **does not represent an entire fiscal year**. This can make it seem like there is a decline in 2014 contracting when this is not necessarily the case.
- **The sum of the amounts does not necessarily equal the total number of contracts or total obligation amount.** A contractor can work on a contract for multiple years so it will be accounted for in multiple years in the graph but it will only be counted once in the totals.

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Contact Information



Basic Information



Contractor Name ⓘ	County of Chaves	Primary Industry	Executive Offices
Location	1 Saint Marys Pl Roswell, NM 88203-5400	Total Employees ⓘ	250
General Phone Number ⓘ	☎ (575) 624-6600	See Full Company Profile ›	
Website ⓘ	co.chaves.nm.us		

Contractor's Congressional District Representation

Congressional District ⓘ New Mexico 2nd Congressional District

The contractor's district and member of Congress is important because the congressman tries to help the community prosper - one indicator of how they're doing is whether their district is winning government contracts.

Contractor's Senate Representation

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Democratic Party

2009 - Present

Martin Heinrich



Democratic Party

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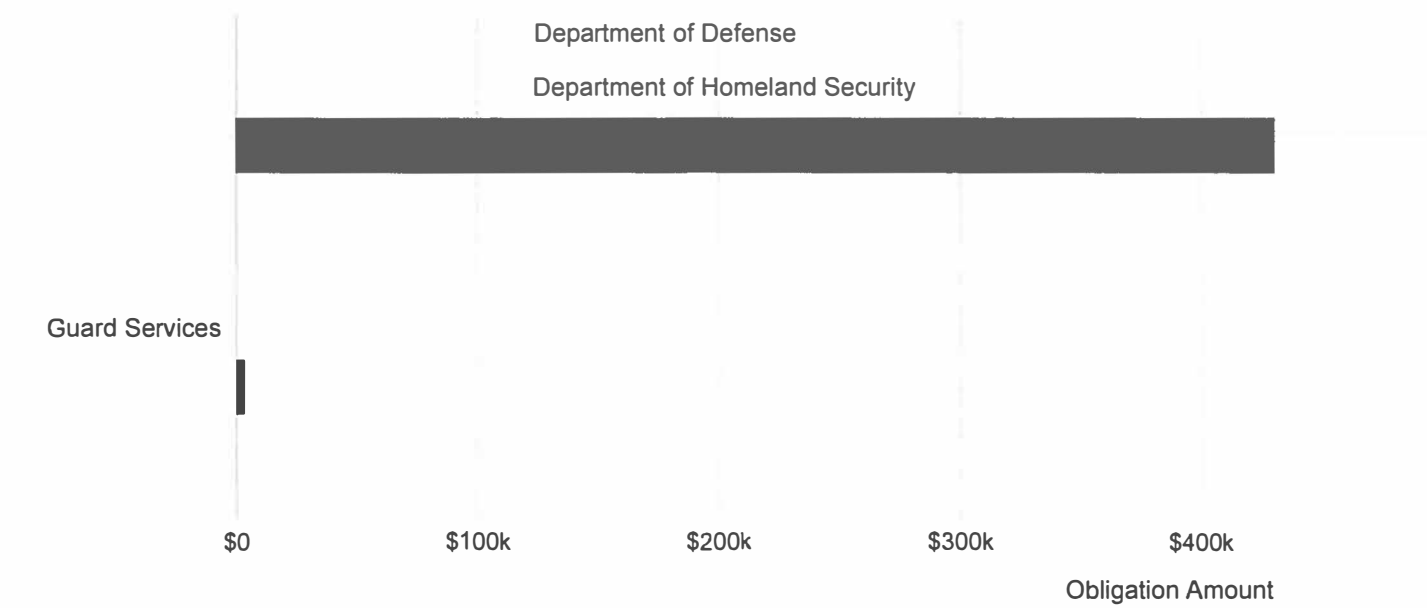
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Largest Contracts

Agency	Product or Service	Signed Date	Obligation Amount
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Department of Homeland Security	• Guard Services	October 25, 2005	\$2,500
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Department of Homeland Security	• Guard Services	November 01, 2006	\$900
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Department of Homeland Security	• Guard Services	December 04, 2007	\$200
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Department of Homeland Security	• Guard Services	September 18, 2008	\$0
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Department of Homeland Security	• Guard Services	May 19, 2010	\$0

[Other large contracts for County of Chaves >](#)



Chaves County Flood Commission has procured 2 different products or services through federal government contracts. The top product or service they have procured is Operation of Dams. The total obligation amount for their Operation of Dams contracts is \$517,466.

All of Chaves County Flood Commission's contracts are worth a total of \$521,066, which means that 99% of their business with the government came from Operation of Dams. The rest of the total obligation amount is from Guard Services contracts, worth a total of \$3600.

Claimant Program(s) ¹ Services

Contract Details

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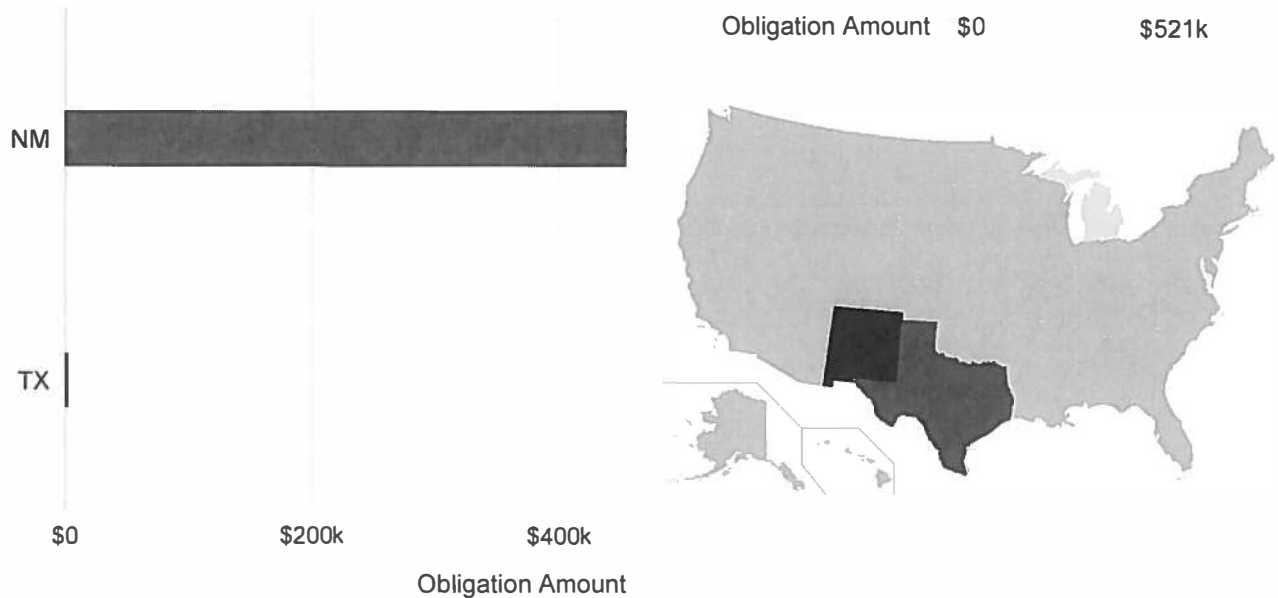
The following characteristics refer to contracts County of Chaves has won. If one contract had a particular characteristic, it will be displayed below. For detailed information on County of Chaves's contracts, scroll up to see Recent Contracts and Largest Contracts.

Contract Types ¹ Definitive Contract
Purchase Order

Contract Financing ¹ Percentage of Completion Progress Payments

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Congressional Districts

The congressional district chart shows the obligation amount by district for where County of Chaves's 8 contracts were performed. This won't always match up to the state in the chart above because congressional districts are not always specified in USASpending.gov data.

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Attachment B:
Letters of Commitment
from Community Stakeholders

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Dexter Consolidated Schools

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Lesa Dodd
Superintendent

November 18, 2016

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Chanda Crandall
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Special Education
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Marlin Johnson
Chaves County Planning Director
#1 St. Mary's Pl.
Roswell, NM 88203

Dear Mr. Johnson

On behalf of Dexter Consolidated Schools, please accept this letter as our support for the USEPA Brownfields Assessment Grant. It is my understanding that the purpose of this grant is to help revitalize the communities and create jobs in Chaves County, New Mexico.

Just like all other towns, Dexter has felt the brunt of the downturn of the economy the past few years. Fortunately, we have a great school system which is the hub of the community. As with all schools, we have teachers that come and go each year. As part of our recruiting process, we try to show potential teachers and staff that our school is located in a great community that has many amenities for its residents. A project such as the USEPA Brownsfields Assessment Grant that will help to assess, clean up, and redevelop impaired properties in the community will definitely make Dexter a more appealing for potential community members.

If a grant such as the USEPA Brownfields Grant will help Dexter and the surrounding communities to bring more business and industry into the area, create additional jobs for community members, bring more students to our schools, and provide additional housing in the town, then Dexter Consolidated Schools supports this grant for Chaves County.

If you need additional information from my school, please contact me at the address and/or phone number above.

Sincerely

Lesa Dodd
Superintendent



HAGERMAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS

(575) 752-3254 / Fax (575) 752-3255 / 406 N. Cambridge / Drawer B / Hagerman, NM 88232

RICKY WILLIAMS
Superintendent

December 2, 2016

Dear Mr. Johnson;

Hagerman Municipal School District is happy to provide support for the USEPA Brownfields Assessment Grant. Based on information provided, the purpose of this grant is to revitalize the communities and create jobs in Chaves County.

Hagerman is a small town with a diverse economic culture. Many community members are employed by the farming industry. There are a limited number of businesses and restaurants to serve the needs of our community. Hagerman's School population is very reflective of our community population. This year, our school population which includes Pre-K through 12 is approximately 420 students. Our demographics are 70% Hispanics, 28.7% Caucasian, 2% African American, and 2% Native American with 80% of our students qualifying for free and reduced meals.


Just like all other rural towns, Hagerman has experienced an economic downturn. This has forced businesses over the years to move and/or close. It should be noted that any new families moving in to Hagerman face housing issues. This also holds true for new teachers to our district. The lack of housing in Hagerman has had a tremendous impact on our ability to attract and retain new teachers.

As a school district, we will be glad to provide our facilities to promote public meetings and promote educational awareness. We are willing to participate in the committee and help spread the word of the program to the community through our website and monthly newsletters which will be done both in English and in Spanish. We are will support the project in any way we can by using our available resources.

In closing, the award of funds for the USEPA Brownfields Assessment Grant would assist Hagerman and surrounding communities to create jobs, housing and retain local businesses such as a local grocery store that would attract new people to our area. Hagerman Municipal Schools would support this grant for Chaves County.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you need or require additional information.

Respectfully,


Ricky Williams
Superintendent



LAKE ARTHUR MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS

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December 14, 2016

Mr. Marlin Johnson
Chaves County Economic Development Director and Planner
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Phone: (575)624-6606
Fax: (575)624-6563

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Lake Arthur Municipal Schools plays critical economic and social roles for the Town of Lake Arthur and the surrounding community. Being the sole educational agency and the primary employer within the town, Lake Arthur Schools is the major business enterprise of the community. What benefits the community also benefits the school district and vice versa.

I understand that Chaves County is leading a coalition with the four incorporated communities within the County seeking assistance to "Revitalize Our Valley" through a U.S. EPA Brownfields Community-Wide Assessment Grant. This grant would provide funding to assess and cleanup blighted properties within our community. Lake Arthur Schools recognizes the importance of this effort in a small rural community as an effort to stimulate economic development.

On behalf of the Lake Arthur Municipal Schools Board of Education I am writing in support of the coalition's application. It is understood that the county would use those funds to plan for, assess, and ultimately cleanup blighted and contaminated properties.

Lake Arthur Municipal Schools wholeheartedly supports the county's commitment to planning, implementing, and completing revitalization projects. The school administration will be glad to work cooperatively as the educational component of the community of Lake Arthur within the Chaves County Pecos Valley corridor. A stimulus in making the community a more desirable place for future businesses and family alike would boost school population and resources to secure a level of funding that would better support the local educational institution.

The district views the Brownfield Revitalization Project as a teaching opportunity. Each school district in New Mexico is to offer college and career programs of study that links student interests to preparation for adult vocations upon graduation. Integrating our students' learning into the sciences involved in the revitalization project would enable the project becoming a living laboratory for students to demonstrate how revitalization projects enhance communities and their development.

Lake Arthur Municipal Schools, therefore, strongly supports this EPA grant application.

Respectfully,

Michael Grossman, Superintendent

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November 29, 2016

Marlin Johnson
Chaves County Planning Director
#1 St. Mary's Place
Roswell, NM 88203

Dear Mr. Johnson,

The Public Health Division is in support of any activities or projects in Chaves County and the rest of Southeast New Mexico that are in conjunction with Brownfields Community Grants.

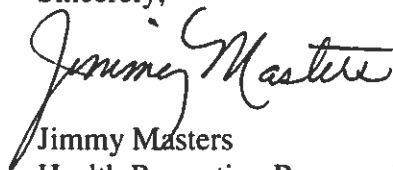
The goal of the Public Health Division is to create healthy communities through assessment, prevention, and assurance. Community health improvement is important to reduce disparity and assure that the community has access to needed services. Public health will work closely with Chaves County to address needs that will help improve the lifestyle of the population.

Blighted property and other Brownfield sites in Chaves County can have negative long-term effects in communities that include safety, health, and environmental. The additional effects from blighted property create poor health outcomes and create a burden for those living in that community not to mention lessening the opportunities to healthy lifestyles and active living.

Public Health would like to be a part of any assessments and part of an advisory committee in Chaves County. The only way to create healthy and safe communities is through coordinated partnerships and everyone working together to create positive outcomes.

Please let me know how the Public Health Division can assist further. If so, you can contact me at 575-347-2409 ext. 6249 and/or james.masters@state.nm.us.

Sincerely,



Jimmy Masters
Health Promotion Program Manager
Public Health Division Southeast Region



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December 2, 2016

Chaves County
Planning and Zoning Department
Attn: Marlin Johnson
P.O. Box 1817
Roswell, NM 88202-1817

Re: Letter of Support
EPA Brownfield Coalition Community-Wide Assessment Grant

Dear Mr. Johnson:

We fully support your initiative to secure an EPA Brownfield Coalition Community-Wide Assessment Grant for sites in Chaves County. As a community healthcare provider in Chaves County, ENMMC understands the importance of protecting human health and the environment, and the sustainable reuse of our properties.

We will assist in working on the assessment, possible remediation and redevelopment efforts to improve the quality of life of those living in the impacted areas. In addition we will support the project using any of the resources available within the ENMMC organization.

Thank you for your effort and commitment which we believe will lead to job creation and a safer community for our residents and businesses. If you have any questions or if I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to call me.

Writing on behalf of the ladies and gentlemen of ENMMC, I remain,

Very Truly Yours,

Rod M. Schumacher
CEO



Office of the President

November 17, 2016

Marlin Johnson
Chaves County Planning and Zoning Director
1 St. Mary's Place
Roswell, NM 88203

Dear Mr. Johnson,

Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell extends our enthusiastic support to the Revitalize Our Valley project. Part of our mission as a community college is to act as a catalyst for economic development and this proposal certainly provides the elements needed to propel our county in a healthier direction. The well-being of Chaves County is vital to our continued success as a campus as we work to educate and train students for productive careers. We are excited about the opportunities in this Revitalize Our Valley project.

Students in our Engineering and Design Technology program for example could get involved in the public outreach portion of this initiative, especially in the planning and adaptive reuse of the Brownfield sites. Students could study a downtown section of one of the communities and evaluate market potential, design greenspace and parks/trails, and create renderings of what a revitalized main street could look like. Our Media Arts students could assist with any graphic design needs and perhaps film revitalization project activities to document progress and educate residents.

Our faculty could possibly offer student internship opportunities in the program. Experts could be invited into the classroom to present guest lectures on the benefits of the Revitalize Our Valley project in Chaves County communities. If needed, our campus meeting rooms could be utilized to facilitate any of your public outreach meetings. I would be pleased if a representative from our campus could also be included on your Advisory Committee.

We are committed to Chaves County's future development and would like to offer our resources to move this project forward and share in its success. Again, ENMU-Roswell looks forward to participating in the program and we encourage the EPA's funding of this request. If more information is needed from us, please do not hesitate to contact me at (575) 624-7345.

Sincerely,


Dr. John Madden
President

Attachment C:
Threshold Eligibility
Documentation

“Revitalize Our Valley”
Chaves County, New Mexico

USEPA Brownfield Assessment Coalition Petroleum
and Hazardous Materials Assessment Grants

Threshold Criteria for Assessment Coalition Grants

1. Applicant Eligibility

The applicant for this EPA Brownfield Coalition Petroleum and Hazardous Materials Grant is Chaves County, New Mexico. County of Chaves fulfills the definition of an “eligible entity” by being a recognized political subdivision as defined by the State’s legislative definition of a political subdivision per 40 CFR stats. 35.6016 (a) (31). The County of Chaves is a General Purpose Unit of Local Government as defined in the eligibility requirements for this grant.

Chaves County will serve as the lead entity for this Coalition Grant.

Coalition members are the City of Roswell, Town of Hagerman, Town of Lake Arthur, and Town of Dexter, all General Purpose Units of Local Government as defined in the eligibility requirements for this grant. Letters from each of these Coalition members are provided in this Attachment.

2. Community Involvement

The Coalition will meet regularly throughout this project and will establish a Brownfields Advisory Committee (BAC). Each Coalition member will be represented on the BAC, as well as our supporting community organizations and other stakeholders. We will actively seek to identify concerns that residents have and respond to these in a quick and constructive manner. This will be done through frequent surveys and polling both paper and electronically, door-to-door outreach, and a close monitoring of our social media channels. We will identify and reach out to sensitive populations through our partnerships with community organizations.

Progress will be communicated through public notices and frequent updates posted at the project site; in email blasts and bulk mailings to people in our database, which numbers thousands of residents; and through posting notices at the public library, city hall, churches, grocery stores, restaurants, preschools, and elsewhere. Because ours is a poor region with limited broadband access, our Coalition will emphasize face-to-face meetings to gather input and answer questions from the public. The Chaves County planning director, who will serve as the grant manager, will update the County Board every month on our work and will include a briefing on the progress of the brownfield assessment and future cleanup as part of this report. Chaves County has monthly committee meetings that are open to the public. There will be extensive opportunities to discuss this project during these meetings.



CITY OF ROSWELL

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November 28, 2016

Marlin Johnson, Chaves County Planning Director
#1 St. Mary's Place
Roswell, NM 88203

Re: Chaves County Coalition for U.S. EPA Brownfield Community-Wide Assessment Grant

Dear Mr. Johnson,

On behalf of the City of Roswell, I am delighted to commit the City to be party to the Chaves County Coalition and wholeheartedly support the proposal for the EPA Brownfield Community-Wide Assessment Grant. As a member of a coalition seeking grant funds for this program, I offer our complete support for the application submitted on behalf of Roswell and the towns of Dexter, Hagerman, and Lake Arthur.

The loss of water rights affected economic progress throughout the County, including Roswell as the primary economic engine in the area. The assessment grant funding will be used to inventory, prioritize, and plan for cleanup and redevelopment of many brownfield sites throughout Chaves County ranging from former fuel dispensing stations to closed grocery stores and manufacturing plants. In particular, the City of Roswell has a large property located in the middle of the City that needs serious help, yet has much potential, the old Glover Meat Packing Plant at 1007 North Virginia Avenue.

We will commit City Staff to participating with the project at all levels. This will include Planning, Public Relations, Engineering, and any other staff that might benefit the cause. In addition to staff support, we will offer assistance with facilities for public meetings to promote and share information regarding brownfield sites. We offer resources for promotion and recruitment of businesses to redevelop underutilized properties. Similarly, we offer all of the City resources to provide public meeting space, community engagement meeting and charrettes, plus assistance in site identification and prioritization. Our public health officials will work closely with the Coalition to solve our social and environmental injustice needs within the City.

These grants will be extremely beneficial in our regional efforts to promote job growth and economic activity through redevelopment. In addition, these efforts will play an important role in our mission to enhance the quality of life for residents and help ensure the future health and well-being of our communities.

Should you have any questions or if I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me. You have the City of Roswell's full endorsement for this revitalization effort that your Coalition is targeting.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Marlin Johnson
Chaves County Planning and Zoning

December 08, 2016

Dear Mr. Johnson,

I am writing this letter to describe the City of Dexter's strong support for the EPA Brownfield Grants being pursued by Chaves County. The "Revitalize the Valley" initiative will go a long way to invigorate and Dexter's economy.

As you know, Dexter has struggled economically since the local agriculture business was destroyed when the water compact was reached to dry up thousands of nearby farms in 2003. As the Mayor and a local business owner I am abundantly aware of the need for economic growth in Chaves County. Presently, we have many buildings that are in a state of decay because formerly healthy business had to close and, in most cases, move out of the area.

I appreciate your connecting the City of Dexter with this program and I commit that if this program happens, the City Council, City staff and myself will stay closely involved. Further, I will personally reach out to other local business leaders to form a "Revitalize the Valley" commission to ensure the success of this important economic initiative.

The health and well-being of our community and of Chaves County will be greatly benefited from this EPA funded program which I personally believe will lead to greater public awareness creating economic momentum. Because of this, I am pleased to write this letter of support and compliment for working so hard to help our County. I will update the Council about the submission of this EPA Brownfield Grant and we look forward to hearing from you regarding the hopeful outcome.

Please contact me directly at any time.

Sincerely,



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Town of Hagerman

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Re: Chaves County Coalition for U.S. EPA Brownfield Community-Wide Assessment Grant

Dear Mr. Johnson,

The Town of Hagerman is excited to be party to the Chaves County coalition and wholeheartedly supports the proposal for the EPA Brownfield Community-Wide Assessment Grant.

We are pleased to have the County Planning Department continue your efforts to support good planning and economic development in our valley. As a life-long resident of the Chaves County and long-time Mayor of Hagerman, I have continuously strived to better our community. We were heavily impacted by the loss of water rights that came because of the Pecos River Compact Settlement Agreement and the resulting loss of agricultural production. This caused the loss of numerous jobs in the area as well as the ability to support the businesses that used to serve our community. Businesses lost include our grocery stores, lumber yard, hardware store, service stations, laundry mat, bank, feed store, flower shop and restaurants. It also took a toll on those that remained.

Our elected officials and leading citizens have discussed the proposal and look expectantly forward to partnering with everyone involved. We offer our commitment to the program by having a representative on an Advisory Committee. We will use our knowledge of community needs and priorities and encourage participation in the program by our residents and community stakeholders.

We will strive to be a shining example of the good that can come with these types of opportunities. We will obligate ourselves to facilitate and coordinate public meetings and to share information regarding redevelopment of brownfield sites. We will assist in all ways possible, including but not limited to: sites for public outreach meetings, history, promotion, recruitment, and resources.

Our downtown area and properties that line the railroad are the two areas in need of redevelopment and revitalization. Our mission is to provide quality of life for those that live and work in Hagerman and the surrounding communities. We believe that securing USEPA funding for our Chaves County coalition is a critical step in ensuring the future health and well-being of our citizens through the economic recovery process. Our community has been excited about the opportunity to participate in the program since first approached by Mr. Johnson. We respectfully urge the EPA to fund these grant requests.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



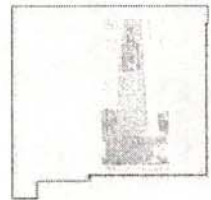
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November 10, 2016

Marlin Johnson
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Re: Chaves County Brownfield Coalition Partnership

On behalf of the Town of Lake Arthur, please accept the full support of our community and its elected officials for the Chaves County Brownfield Coalition Partnership initiative. Chaves County provides invaluable services to the unincorporated areas of the County.

The downturn in the general economy severely impacts our local government entities through the loss of tax revenue. The loss of water rights has caused dramatic economic distress to our County, impacting agriculture, ranching, and associated industries. It is critical that we protect our watershed and environment.

Chaves County has the resources in place to administer and supply the local governments with assistance in addressing contaminated land redevelopment and reclamation.

We look forward in being an active partner in the Chaves County Brownfield Coalition Partnership, supporting the Brownfield assessment program, sharing communication, providing facilities and hosting local meetings with concerned citizens and Coalition partners.

The Town of Lake Arthur strongly supports this grant application. If you need any further information, please contact me at 575 616-1795 or by email at ysidro@dfn.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Ysidro Salazar', is written over the word 'Sincerely,'.

Ysidro Salazar
Mayor

Attachment D: Supporting Documentation

“Revitalize Our Valley”

Chaves County, New Mexico

**USEPA Brownfield Assessment Coalition Petroleum
and Hazardous Materials Assessment Grants**

Persistent Poverty Counties are defined by Public Law 112-74 (enacted on December 23, 2011) as counties where 20% or more of their population lives in poverty as measured by the U.S. Census Bureau (1990 and 2000 decennial censuses, and 2006-2010 American Community Survey)

County Fips	County Name	State	1990 % Poverty	2000 % Poverty	2010 % Poverty
01005	Barbour County	AL	25.2	26.8	25
01011	Bullock County	AL	36.5	33.5	25.3
01013	Butler County	AL	31.5	24.6	25
01025	Clarke County	AL	25.9	22.6	29.2
01035	Conecuh County	AL	29.7	26.6	30.6
01047	Dallas County	AL	36.2	31.1	31.8
01053	Escambia County	AL	28.1	20.9	24.4
01063	Greene County	AL	45.6	34.3	30.8
01065	Hale County	AL	35.6	26.9	24.6
01085	Lowndes County	AL	38.6	31.4	27.3
01087	Macon County	AL	34.5	32.8	27.4
01091	Marengo County	AL	30.0	25.9	22.7
01099	Monroe County	AL	22.7	21.3	25.4
01105	Perry County	AL	42.6	35.4	28.8
01107	Pickens County	AL	28.9	24.9	26.9
01109	Pike County	AL	27.2	23.1	28.6
01119	Sumter County	AL	39.7	38.7	34.8
01131	Wilcox County	AL	45.2	39.9	38.5
02270	Wade Hampton Census Area	AK	31.0	26.2	31.4
02290	Yukon-Koyukuk Census Area	AK	26.0	23.8	23.6
04001	Apache County	AZ	47.1	37.8	34.4
04017	Navajo County	AZ	34.7	29.5	24.4
04023	Santa Cruz County	AZ	26.4	24.5	25.2
05011	Bradley County	AR	24.9	26.3	30.4
05017	Chicot County	AR	40.4	28.6	34.1
05027	Columbia County	AR	24.4	21.1	22.9
05035	Crittenden County	AR	27.1	25.3	27.4
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05101	Newton County	AR	29.6	20.4	22.5
05107	Phillips County	AR	43.0	32.7	32.4
05111	Poinsett County	AR	25.6	21.2	25.8
05123	St. Francis County	AR	36.6	27.5	29.6
05129	Searcy County	AR	29.9	23.8	22.7
05147	Woodruff County	AR	34.5	27.0	22.9
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06107	Tulare County	CA	22.6	23.9	22.9
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08023	Costilla County	CO	34.6	26.8	28.4

08109	Saguache County	CO	30.6	22.6	24.4
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13037	Calhoun County	GA	31.8	26.5	28.8
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13059	Clarke County	GA	27.0	28.3	33.5
13061	Clay County	GA	35.7	31.3	34.2
13065	Clinch County	GA	26.4	23.4	25.7
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13303	Washington County	GA	21.6	22.9	27.6
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28105	Oktibbeha County	MS	30.1	28.2	32
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30085	Roosevelt County	MT	27.7	32.4	21.5
31103	Keya Paha County	NE	25.7	26.9	22.7
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35041	Roosevelt County	NM	26.9	22.7	22.8
35045	San Juan County	NM	28.3	21.5	20.8
35047	San Miguel County	NM	30.2	24.4	24.8
35053	Socorro County	NM	29.9	31.7	26.8
36005	Bronx County	NY	28.7	30.7	28.4
36047	Kings County	NY	22.7	25.1	22
37015	Bertie County	NC	25.9	23.5	23.3
37017	Bladen County	NC	21.9	21.0	24.1
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37131	Northampton County	NC	23.6	21.3	21.7
37147	Pitt County	NC	22.1	20.3	23.9
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37177	Tyrrell County	NC	25.0	23.3	21.9
37187	Washington County	NC	20.4	21.8	24.8
38005	Benson County	ND	31.7	29.1	35.6
38079	Rolette County	ND	40.7	31.0	31.8
38085	Sioux County	ND	47.4	39.2	47.2
39009	Athens County	OH	28.7	27.4	30.3
40001	Adair County	OK	26.7	23.2	26.5
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40023	Choctaw County	OK	32.7	24.3	24.6
40029	Coal County	OK	27.4	23.1	21.6
40057	Harmon County	OK	34.2	29.7	26.9
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54047	McDowell County	WV	37.7	37.7	32.6
54059	Mingo County	WV	30.9	29.7	21.6
54061	Monongalia County	WV	20.6	22.8	21
54087	Roane County	WV	28.1	22.6	27.6
54089	Summers County	WV	24.5	24.4	21.6
54101	Webster County	WV	34.8	31.8	22.9
55078	Menominee County	WI	48.7	28.8	31.6

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President Declares Disaster for New Mexico

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency announced that federal disaster aid has been made available to the State of New Mexico to supplement state and local recovery efforts in the area affected by severe storms, flooding, and mudslides during the period of September 9-22, 2013.

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The President's action makes federal funding available to state and eligible local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations on a cost-sharing basis for emergency work and the repair or replacement of facilities damaged by the severe storms, flooding, and mudslides in Catron, Chaves, Cibola, Colfax, Eddy, Guadalupe, Los Alamos, McKinley, Mora, Sandoval, San Miguel, Santa Fe, Sierra, Socorro, and Torrance counties.

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Federal funding is also available on a cost-sharing basis for hazard mitigation measures statewide.

Nancy M. Casper has been named as the Federal Coordinating Officer for federal recovery operations in the affected area. Casper said additional designations may be made at a later date if warranted by the results of damage assessments.

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RESOLUTION R-15-054
LOCAL EMERGENCY / DISASTER DECLARATION

WHEREAS, Chaves County has suffered severe damage caused by a blizzard on or about December 26, 2015 and extending through December 27, 2015; and,

WHEREAS, extensive damage was caused to County roads, private roads, personal property, including livestock, dairy cattle and agricultural related businesses; and,

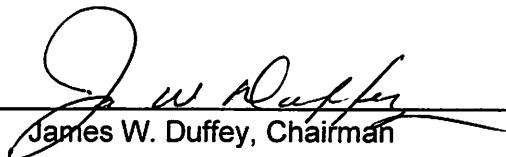
WHEREAS, this incident has resulted in undue human suffering and hardship and threatens the safety, health, welfare, and well-being of the citizens and local economy of Chaves County; and,

WHEREAS, all locally available public and private resources available to mitigate and alleviate the effects of this disaster have been insufficient to meet the needs of the situation, make repairs, and protect the public safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chaves County Commissioners, by virtue of the authority provided by New Mexico State Statute 4-1-1 and by the New Mexico Civil Emergency Preparedness Act, NMSA 1978, 12-10-01 to 12-20-11, do hereby declare Chaves County to be under a state of Disaster for the purpose of exercising necessary emergency powers, for expending local resources, and for requesting aid, assistance, relief programs, and funding that may be available from the State of New Mexico.

DONE this 28th day of December, 2015.

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By: 
James W. Duffey, Chairman

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Pecos River Settlement wallops Hagerman economy

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Gov. Bill Richardson compared it to a cloud being removed from the Pecos Valley's future. "A significant milestone" is how New Mexico State Engineer John D'Antonio described it. "An extraordinary example of what's possible" are the words of Greg Lewis, the Office of the State Engineer's current Pecos River basin manager. "It doesn't receive the same reviews in Hagerman.

Cliff Waide, who has been mayor of Hagerman since 2005, says, "It has had a devastating effect on Hagerman, Lake Arthur and Dexter." Dan Lethrop, president of the board of directors of the Hagerman Irrigation Company, echoes Waide's sentiment, "As a community, it was devastating."

What could earn broad acclaim from state officials outside of the community and qualified disdain from stakeholders within it? The 2003 Pecos River Settlement.

According to Lewis, the settlement aspired to bring the Roswell Artesian Basin back into balance and ensure that water is delivered to those it is due. The Pecos Valley Artesian Conservancy District, Carlsbad Irrigation District, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and State of New Mexico created the document and have worked to implement it since. Its inspiration? Decades of legal turmoil surrounding New Mexico's under-delivery of water to Texas, Carlsbad's contentions with water usage in PVACD farther upstream on the Pecos River and the dropping water levels in the Roswell Artesian Basin.

As Richardson's, D'Antonio's and Lewis's comments suggest, in many ways the settlement has been a success. New Mexico has turned a deficit into a 100,100 acre-feet water surplus to

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agent for the water right transactions, purchased a large percentage of
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those water rights in and around one small agricultural community 24 miles south of Roswell. With more than 100,000 acres of farmland in production throughout PVACD territory, the voluntary transactions were concentrated in Hagerman, Dexter and Lake Arthur.

There, since 2003, 4,400 acres of water rights have been retired, almost 60 percent of PVACD's entire commitment, continuing a trend of water right leases and retirements in the area back that date back to the early 1990s. "Fundamentally, in this valley, water is life," says Lethrop. Without that lifeblood, the result "a less vibrant community" is not surprising. Farmers without water can't farm. They can't hire employees. They can't purchase seed, tractors, etc. from local businesses.

While the number of dollars in economic output lost with the water rights proved evasive, Dr. Michael Patrick, a New Mexico State University extension economist, offers 1.5 as a realistic multiplier for agricultural operations in Hagerman's economy, meaning every dollar lost would result in an additional loss of \$1.50. For the voluntary water right retirement, ISC paid Hagerman, Dexter and Lake Arthur water right holders more than \$20 million.

However, as far as Waide and Lethrop can tell, the one-time payments have long since disappeared into retirement accounts, relocations and Winnebagos; the money hasn't made a detectable imprint on the community.

On an autumn afternoon, standing across from the modest Hagerman town hall on West Argyle Street, fewer than a handful of people and cars are on the move. Waide and Cassius Mason, the director of the community's department of public safety, quickly rattle off a list of closures they relate to the retired water rights "two grocery stores, two gas stations, the lumberyard, two barbershops, two bars, three cafés, a vehicle dealership, an insurance agent ... Frustrated as they are, neither has given up hope. For his part, Waide tries not to blame the settlement that tipped the dominoes falling down on Hagerman.

"This was probably the smallest economic loss for the valley," he says. "The alternative could have been worse." Aron Balok, PVACD's water resource specialist, is adamant that the state and nation must hold onto the dwindling farmland acreage it has in production.

Still, he says, "This was a necessary, if unsavory, option. Hopefully

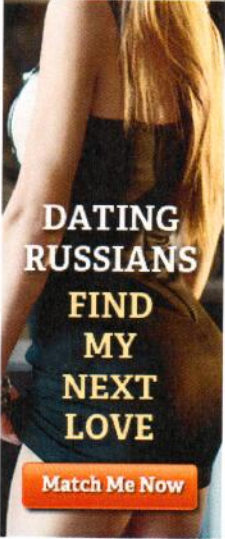
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we put ourselves in a place where we won't have to do it again. Waide sounds a hopeful note about the prospects that Hagerman will develop economic alternatives to the alfalfa and corn silage that used to power Hagerman's economy, and still do to a lesser extent. He's proud of the thriving agricultural operations that still give Hagerman a pulse.

He's proud of the town's industrial park (the business lots come with water rights). And he's proud of the fact that Fat-Man's Beef Jerky's new processing plant is under construction in the park. Inevitably, though, conversation comes back to the hardships Hagerman has had to face. With some sadness in his voice, he speaks of the urbanization and "natural small-town decline" happening across the country and adds, "and that's literally dry up in our case."

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August 25, 2015

James W. Duffey, Commission Chair
Chaves County
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RE: CDBG Grant No. 15-C-NR-I-03-G-11
Public Facility

Dear Mr. Duffey:

It is my pleasure to inform you that your 2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application referenced above, in the amount of \$499,412.00, was approved at the June 16, 2015 meeting of the New Mexico Community Development Council.

Please be aware that you cannot expend or incur costs against this grant until a grant agreement with the Local Government Division has been fully executed.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call Jolene Slown, Bureau Chief at (505) 827-4974 or Maxx Hendren, your Project Manager at (505) 827-4797.

Sincerely,

A blue ink signature of Rick Lopez, written in a cursive style.

Rick Lopez, Director
Local Government

xc: Jolene Slown, Community Development Bureau (CDB) Chief
Maxx Hendren, CDB Project Manager

NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
FEMA-4152-DR-NM * * * * * SUB-GRANT AGREEMENT AMENDMENT (AWARD CHANGE)

CFDA 97.036: PUBLIC ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM

FEMA IDENTIFIER: FEMA-4152-DR-NM **STATE IDENTIFIER:** EO 2013-031
SUB-GRANT AGREEMENT NUMBER: FEMA-4152-010
AMENDMENT NUMBER: A1
GRANTOR: NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (DHSEM)
GRANTOR ADDRESS: RECOVERY UNIT, PO BOX 27111 (13 BATAAN BLVD.), SANTA FE, NM 87502
GRANTOR CONTACT INFORMATION: Brian Williams
Phone 505-476-9601
Fax 505-476-9650
Email brian.williams@state.nm.us
SUB-GRANTEE NAME (APPLICANT): Chaves County
APPLICANT ADDRESS: 1 St. Mary's Place
Roswell, NM 88203

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This Sub-grant Agreement Amendment is made in good faith between the Grantor and Sub-Grantee named above, effective as of the date of the signature of the Secretary of DHSEM on the last page of this Amendment.

The Sub-Grantee is reminded to submit to DHSEM a Quarterly Report for all large projects no later than the 15th of the month following the end of a Quarter.

All terms, conditions, and certifications, and performance periods of the original Sub-grant Agreement remain in effect unless altered herein. The default performance period for all Category A and B projects is six months from the declaration date, which is April 29, 2013. The default performance period for all other categories of work is 18 months from the declaration date, which is June 29, 2015.

The Sub-Grant Award is increased by the following amount: \$18,623.15

The Sub-Grant totals effective with this Amendment are as follows:

The new TOTAL AWARD is:	\$252,432.25
The new FEDERAL SHARE is:	\$189,324.19
The new STATE SHARE is:	\$ 31,554.03
The new APPLICANT SHARE is:	\$ 31,554.03

These amounts represent the maximum amounts that have been obligated. Final payment is based on actual costs which may be less than given above.

This award represents the following Project Worksheets for the amounts given:

Bundle #	4	PW 029	\$ 15,963.54
Bundle #	4	PW 040	\$ 2,659.61

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Udall, Heinrich Announce NM Counties to Receive \$37.7 Million in PILT Payments to Support Schools, Roads, First Responders, Crucial Services in Rural Communities

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WASHINGTON - Today, U.S. Senators Tom Udall and Martin Heinrich announced that counties across New Mexico will receive more than \$37.7 million through the 2016 Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) program. The total is a \$3.2 million increase from the total payments the state received last year, partly due to the advocacy of Udall and Heinrich. A full list of funding by county is included below.

PILT provides federal payments to local governments to help offset losses in property taxes because of nontaxable federal land within their jurisdictions, including national parks and forests, wildlife refuges, Bureau of Land Management land and military bases. Local governments use PILT funding to provide police, fire protection, emergency response, road maintenance and other crucial services to residents.

"I'm proud to fight for the funding that counties throughout New Mexico rely on to deliver critical services, like schools, roads and public safety," Udall said. "New Mexico is proud to host our military bases, national monuments and other facilities that support our economy and generate tourism in our state. But local governments need budget certainty to ensure that all New Mexicans receive consistent basic services. We currently fund PILT year by year, but that isn't good enough, and as a member of the Senate Appropriations committee, I'll continue to work for full, permanent funding to ensure local communities have the economic security they need."

"Rural communities across New Mexico use PILT funds to provide for emergency response, maintain roads and bridges, and support local jobs," Heinrich said. "I am proud that we were successful in securing funding for this year's payments, but we still need permanent funding for PILT. Longterm, predictable funding is incredibly important to counties in New Mexico, and I will continue to push for full, permanent PILT funding so they have the budget certainty they need."

After years of funding PILT inconsistently, in 2008 Congress fully and

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automatically funded PILT for five years. In a 2012 transportation bill, full funding was extended for another year, leaving the future beyond 2013 uncertain. Udall and Heinrich have successfully secured PILT funding every year since and continue to fight for a long-term solution.

The PILT program is administered by the Department of the Interior. The department calculates annual payments to local governments based on the number of acres of federal entitlement land within each county or jurisdiction and the population of that county or jurisdiction. The lands include the National Forest and National Park Systems, lands in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Refuge System, areas managed by the Bureau of Land Management, areas affected by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Bureau of Reclamation water resource development projects, and others.

New Mexico PILT Payments for fiscal year 2016:

- BERNALILLO COUNTY - \$202,561
- CATRON COUNTY - \$621,950
- CHAVES COUNTY - \$3,095,167
- CIBOLA COUNTY - \$1,834,429
- COLFAX COUNTY - \$161,766
- DE BACA COUNTY - \$109,423
- DONA ANA COUNTY - \$3,065,286
- EDDY COUNTY - \$3,435,195
- GRANT COUNTY - \$2,130,365
- GUADALUPE COUNTY - \$160,643
- HARDING COUNTY - \$117,996
- HIDALGO COUNTY - \$749,220
- LEA COUNTY - \$1,089,110
- LINCOLN COUNTY - \$1,738,123
- LOS ALAMOS COUNTY - \$86,665
- LUNA COUNTY - \$1,922,647
- MCKINLEY COUNTY - \$914,129
- MORA COUNTY - \$234,096
- OTERO COUNTY - \$3,166,859
- QUAY COUNTY - \$4,659
- RIO ARriba COUNTY - \$2,234,329
- ROOSEVELT COUNTY - \$27,810
- SAN JUAN COUNTY - \$2,224,906
- SAN MIGUEL COUNTY - \$836,134
- SANDOVAL COUNTY - \$2,142,162
- SANTA FE COUNTY - \$705,425
- SIERRA COUNTY - \$1,158,994
- SOCORRO COUNTY - \$1,360,942
- TAOS COUNTY - \$1,674,918
- TORRANCE COUNTY - \$332,953
- UNION COUNTY - \$151,620
- VALENCIA COUNTY - \$80,472

STATE TOTAL - \$37,770,954

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County of Chaves in Roswell, NM - Contracting Profile Summary (HQs and Subsidiaries)



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Total Obligation Amount (2000-2014): \$521,065.50
Total Contracts (2000-2014): 8
Department: Department of Defense and Department of Homeland Security

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Obligation Amount
(2014) ⓘ
\$0

Total Obligation
Amount (2000-2014) ⓘ
\$521,066

This **summary profile** includes information for the company headquarters and all related subsidiaries. For contracting info on the related contractors, scroll to the bottom.

Last year, **County of Chaves** did not win any contracts. Since 2000, the contractor has performed 8 contracts with a total obligation amount of \$521,065.50, which means County of Chaves has completed contracts worth relatively the same amount as the median for all government contractors. The

Number of Contracts
(2014) ⓘ

0

Total Contracts (2000-
2014) ⓘ

8

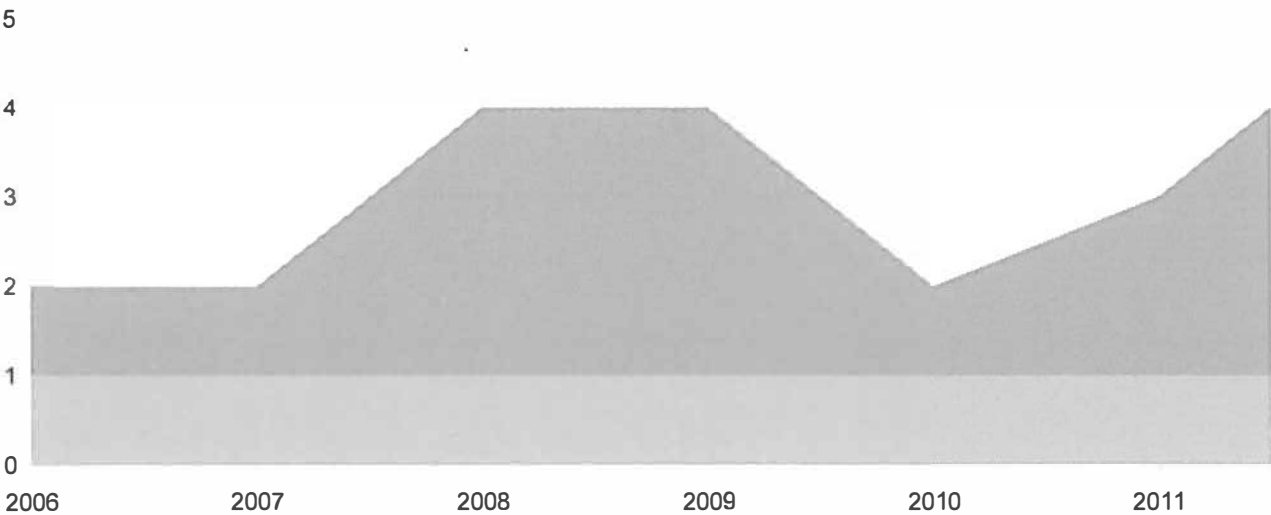
average obligation amount for their contracts is \$65,133.

Data is from [USASpending.gov](#).

Obligation Amount Over Time by Department

Number of Contracts Over Time by Department

☐ Department of Defense ☐ Department of Homeland Security



- The graphs relate to the **fiscal year** (October 1 of the previous year to September 30).
- The 2014 amount includes contracts since October 1, 2013 and **does not represent an entire fiscal year**. This can make it seem like there is a decline in 2014 contracting when this is not necessarily the case.
- **The sum of the amounts does not necessarily equal the total number of contracts or total obligation amount.** A contractor can work on a contract for multiple years so it will be accounted for in multiple years in the graph but it will only be counted once in the totals.

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Contact Information



Basic Information



Contractor Name ⓘ	County of Chaves	Primary Industry	Executive Offices
Location	1 Saint Marys Pl Roswell, NM 88203-5400	Total Employees ⓘ	250
General Phone Number ⓘ	☎ (575) 624-6600	See Full Company Profile ›	
Website ⓘ	co.chaves.nm.us		

Contractor's Congressional District Representation

Congressional District ⓘ New Mexico 2nd Congressional District

The contractor's district and member of Congress is important because the congressman tries to help the community prosper - one indicator of how they're doing is whether their district is winning government contracts.

Contractor's Senate Representation

Tom Udall



Democratic Party

2009 - Present

Martin Heinrich



Democratic Party

2013 - Present

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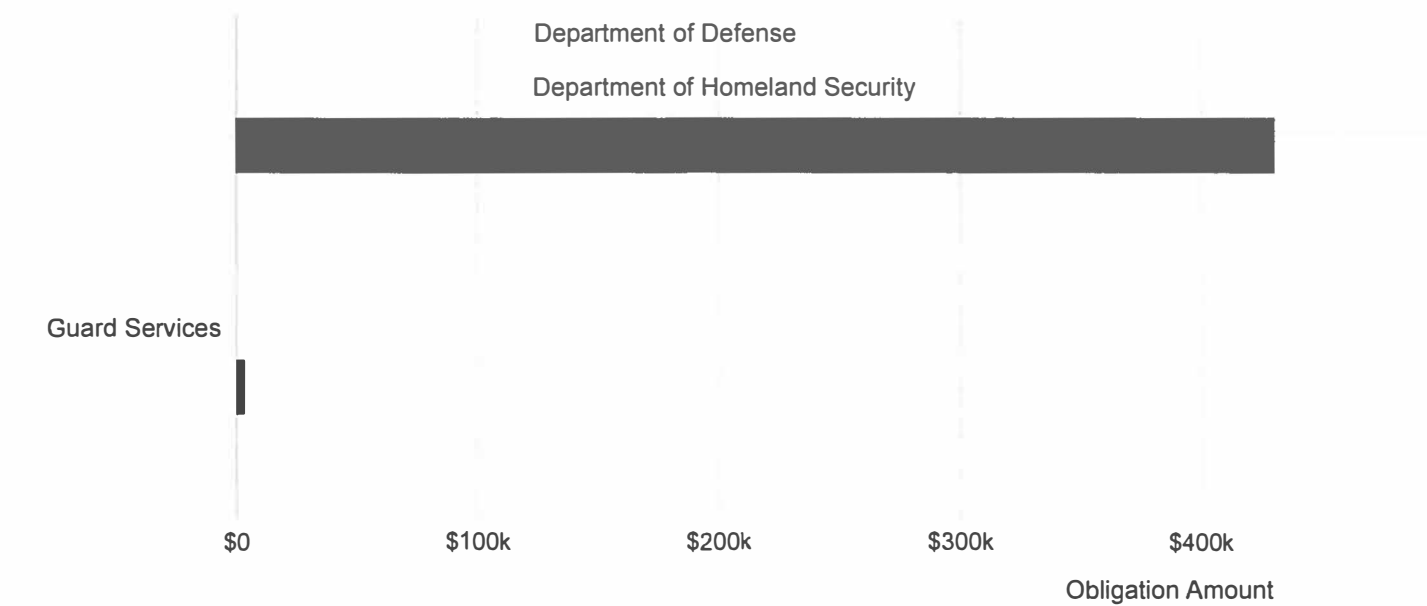
Contracts

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Largest Contracts

Agency	Product or Service	Signed Date	Obligation Amount
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Department of Homeland Security	• Guard Services	October 25, 2005	\$2,500
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Department of Homeland Security	• Guard Services	November 01, 2006	\$900
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Department of Homeland Security	• Guard Services	December 04, 2007	\$200
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Department of Homeland Security	• Guard Services	September 18, 2008	\$0
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Department of Homeland Security	• Guard Services	May 19, 2010	\$0

[Other large contracts for County of Chaves >](#)



Chaves County Flood Commission has procured 2 different products or services through federal government contracts. The top product or service they have procured is Operation of Dams. The total obligation amount for their Operation of Dams contracts is \$517,466.

All of Chaves County Flood Commission's contracts are worth a total of \$521,066, which means that 99% of their business with the government came from Operation of Dams. The rest of the total obligation amount is from Guard Services contracts, worth a total of \$3600.

Claimant Program(s) ¹ Services

Contract Details

- Characteristics
- Sourcing

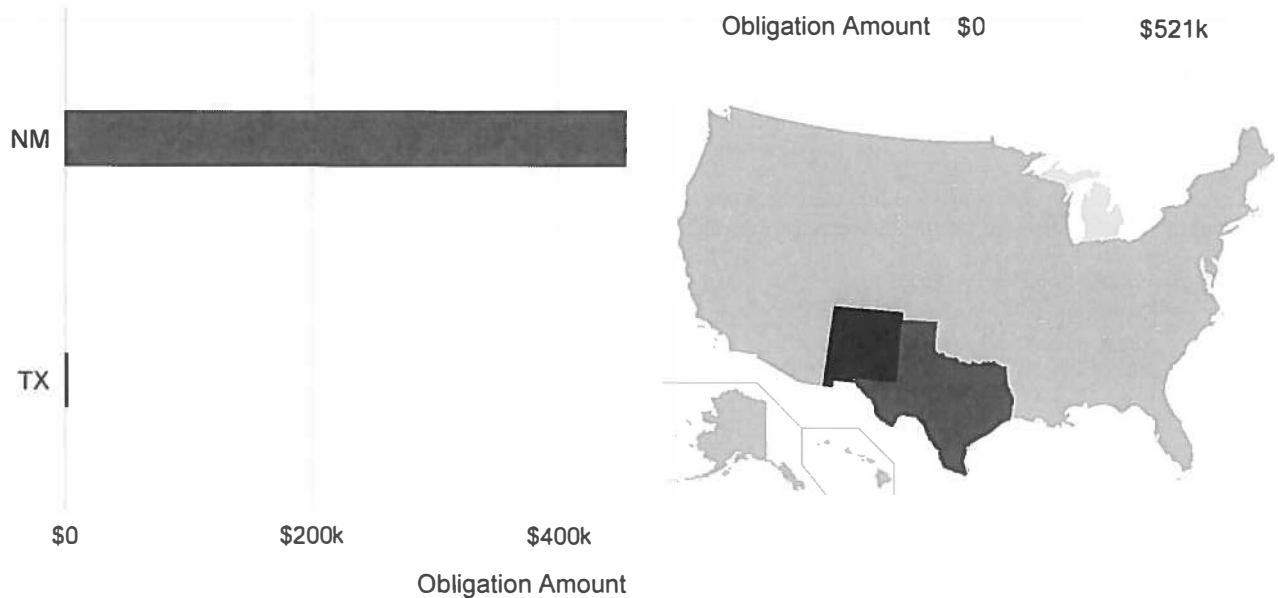
The following characteristics refer to contracts County of Chaves has won. If one contract had a particular characteristic, it will be displayed below. For detailed information on County of Chaves's contracts, scroll up to see Recent Contracts and Largest Contracts.

Contract Types ¹ Definitive Contract
Purchase Order

Contract Financing ¹ Percentage of Completion Progress Payments

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Congressional Districts

The congressional district chart shows the obligation amount by district for where County of Chaves's 8 contracts were performed. This won't always match up to the state in the chart above because congressional districts are not always specified in USASpending.gov data.

Related Contractors

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Other Contractors Specializing in Executive Offices

Attachment B:
Letters of Commitment
from Community Stakeholders

“Revitalize Our Valley”
Chaves County, New Mexico

USEPA Brownfield Assessment Coalition Petroleum
and Hazardous Materials Assessment Grants



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Lesa Dodd
Superintendent

November 18, 2016

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Middle School Principal
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Kathleen Gallaway
Elementary School
Principal
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Technology Director
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Marlin Johnson
Chaves County Planning Director
#1 St. Mary's Pl.
Roswell, NM 88203

Dear Mr. Johnson

On behalf of Dexter Consolidated Schools, please accept this letter as our support for the USEPA Brownfields Assessment Grant. It is my understanding that the purpose of this grant is to help revitalize the communities and create jobs in Chaves County, New Mexico.

Just like all other towns, Dexter has felt the brunt of the downturn of the economy the past few years. Fortunately, we have a great school system which is the hub of the community. As with all schools, we have teachers that come and go each year. As part of our recruiting process, we try to show potential teachers and staff that our school is located in a great community that has many amenities for its residents. A project such as the USEPA Brownsfields Assessment Grant that will help to assess, clean up, and redevelop impaired properties in the community will definitely make Dexter a more appealing for potential community members.

If a grant such as the USEPA Brownfields Grant will help Dexter and the surrounding communities to bring more business and industry into the area, create additional jobs for community members, bring more students to our schools, and provide additional housing in the town, then Dexter Consolidated Schools supports this grant for Chaves County.

If you need additional information from my school, please contact me at the address and/or phone number above.

Sincerely

Lesa Dodd
Superintendent



HAGERMAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS

(575) 752-3254 / Fax (575) 752-3255 / 406 N. Cambridge / Drawer B / Hagerman, NM 88232

RICKY WILLIAMS
Superintendent

December 2, 2016

Dear Mr. Johnson;

Hagerman Municipal School District is happy to provide support for the USEPA Brownfields Assessment Grant. Based on information provided, the purpose of this grant is to revitalize the communities and create jobs in Chaves County.

Hagerman is a small town with a diverse economic culture. Many community members are employed by the farming industry. There are a limited number of businesses and restaurants to serve the needs of our community. Hagerman's School population is very reflective of our community population. This year, our school population which includes Pre-K through 12 is approximately 420 students. Our demographics are 70% Hispanics, 28.7% Caucasian, 2% African American, and 2% Native American with 80% of our students qualifying for free and reduced meals.


Just like all other rural towns, Hagerman has experienced an economic downturn. This has forced businesses over the years to move and/or close. It should be noted that any new families moving in to Hagerman face housing issues. This also holds true for new teachers to our district. The lack of housing in Hagerman has had a tremendous impact on our ability to attract and retain new teachers.

As a school district, we will be glad to provide our facilities to promote public meetings and promote educational awareness. We are willing to participate in the committee and help spread the word of the program to the community through our website and monthly newsletters which will be done both in English and in Spanish. We are will support the project in any way we can by using our available resources.

In closing, the award of funds for the USEPA Brownfields Assessment Grant would assist Hagerman and surrounding communities to create jobs, housing and retain local businesses such as a local grocery store that would attract new people to our area. Hagerman Municipal Schools would support this grant for Chaves County.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you need or require additional information.

Respectfully,


Ricky Williams
Superintendent



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MICHAEL GROSSMAN
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December 14, 2016

Mr. Marlin Johnson
Chaves County Economic Development Director and Planner
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Phone: (575)624-6606
Fax: (575)624-6563

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Lake Arthur Municipal Schools plays critical economic and social roles for the Town of Lake Arthur and the surrounding community. Being the sole educational agency and the primary employer within the town, Lake Arthur Schools is the major business enterprise of the community. What benefits the community also benefits the school district and vice versa.

I understand that Chaves County is leading a coalition with the four incorporated communities within the County seeking assistance to "Revitalize Our Valley" through a U.S. EPA Brownfields Community-Wide Assessment Grant. This grant would provide funding to assess and cleanup blighted properties within our community. Lake Arthur Schools recognizes the importance of this effort in a small rural community as an effort to stimulate economic development.

On behalf of the Lake Arthur Municipal Schools Board of Education I am writing in support of the coalition's application. It is understood that the county would use those funds to plan for, assess, and ultimately cleanup blighted and contaminated properties.

Lake Arthur Municipal Schools wholeheartedly supports the county's commitment to planning, implementing, and completing revitalization projects. The school administration will be glad to work cooperatively as the educational component of the community of Lake Arthur within the Chaves County Pecos Valley corridor. A stimulus in making the community a more desirable place for future businesses and family alike would boost school population and resources to secure a level of funding that would better support the local educational institution.

The district views the Brownfield Revitalization Project as a teaching opportunity. Each school district in New Mexico is to offer college and career programs of study that links student interests to preparation for adult vocations upon graduation. Integrating our students' learning into the sciences involved in the revitalization project would enable the project becoming a living laboratory for students to demonstrate how revitalization projects enhance communities and their development.

Lake Arthur Municipal Schools, therefore, strongly supports this EPA grant application.

Respectfully,

Michael Grossman, Superintendent

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November 29, 2016

Marlin Johnson
Chaves County Planning Director
#1 St. Mary's Place
Roswell, NM 88203

Dear Mr. Johnson,

The Public Health Division is in support of any activities or projects in Chaves County and the rest of Southeast New Mexico that are in conjunction with Brownfields Community Grants.

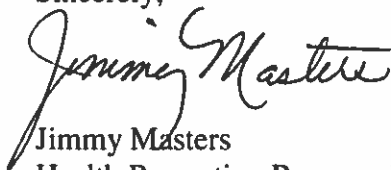
The goal of the Public Health Division is to create healthy communities through assessment, prevention, and assurance. Community health improvement is important to reduce disparity and assure that the community has access to needed services. Public health will work closely with Chaves County to address needs that will help improve the lifestyle of the population.

Blighted property and other Brownfield sites in Chaves County can have negative long-term effects in communities that include safety, health, and environmental. The additional effects from blighted property create poor health outcomes and create a burden for those living in that community not to mention lessening the opportunities to healthy lifestyles and active living.

Public Health would like to be a part of any assessments and part of an advisory committee in Chaves County. The only way to create healthy and safe communities is through coordinated partnerships and everyone working together to create positive outcomes.

Please let me know how the Public Health Division can assist further. If so, you can contact me at 575-347-2409 ext. 6249 and/or james.masters@state.nm.us.

Sincerely,



Jimmy Masters
Health Promotion Program Manager
Public Health Division Southeast Region



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December 2, 2016

Chaves County
Planning and Zoning Department
Attn: Marlin Johnson
P.O. Box 1817
Roswell, NM 88202-1817

Re: Letter of Support
EPA Brownfield Coalition Community-Wide Assessment Grant

Dear Mr. Johnson:

We fully support your initiative to secure an EPA Brownfield Coalition Community-Wide Assessment Grant for sites in Chaves County. As a community healthcare provider in Chaves County, ENMMC understands the importance of protecting human health and the environment, and the sustainable reuse of our properties.

We will assist in working on the assessment, possible remediation and redevelopment efforts to improve the quality of life of those living in the impacted areas. In addition we will support the project using any of the resources available within the ENMMC organization.

Thank you for your effort and commitment which we believe will lead to job creation and a safer community for our residents and businesses. If you have any questions or if I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to call me.

Writing on behalf of the ladies and gentlemen of ENMMC, I remain,

Very Truly Yours,

Rod M. Schumacher
CEO



Office of the President

November 17, 2016

Marlin Johnson
Chaves County Planning and Zoning Director
1 St. Mary's Place
Roswell, NM 88203

Dear Mr. Johnson,

Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell extends our enthusiastic support to the Revitalize Our Valley project. Part of our mission as a community college is to act as a catalyst for economic development and this proposal certainly provides the elements needed to propel our county in a healthier direction. The well-being of Chaves County is vital to our continued success as a campus as we work to educate and train students for productive careers. We are excited about the opportunities in this Revitalize Our Valley project.

Students in our Engineering and Design Technology program for example could get involved in the public outreach portion of this initiative, especially in the planning and adaptive reuse of the Brownfield sites. Students could study a downtown section of one of the communities and evaluate market potential, design greenspace and parks/trails, and create renderings of what a revitalized main street could look like. Our Media Arts students could assist with any graphic design needs and perhaps film revitalization project activities to document progress and educate residents.

Our faculty could possibly offer student internship opportunities in the program. Experts could be invited into the classroom to present guest lectures on the benefits of the Revitalize Our Valley project in Chaves County communities. If needed, our campus meeting rooms could be utilized to facilitate any of your public outreach meetings. I would be pleased if a representative from our campus could also be included on your Advisory Committee.

We are committed to Chaves County's future development and would like to offer our resources to move this project forward and share in its success. Again, ENMU-Roswell looks forward to participating in the program and we encourage the EPA's funding of this request. If more information is needed from us, please do not hesitate to contact me at (575) 624-7345.

Sincerely,


Dr. John Madden
President

Attachment C:
Threshold Eligibility
Documentation

“Revitalize Our Valley”
Chaves County, New Mexico

**USEPA Brownfield Assessment Coalition Petroleum
and Hazardous Materials Assessment Grants**

Threshold Criteria for Assessment Coalition Grants

1. Applicant Eligibility

The applicant for this EPA Brownfield Coalition Petroleum and Hazardous Materials Grant is Chaves County, New Mexico. County of Chaves fulfills the definition of an “eligible entity” by being a recognized political subdivision as defined by the State’s legislative definition of a political subdivision per 40 CFR stats. 35.6016 (a) (31). The County of Chaves is a General Purpose Unit of Local Government as defined in the eligibility requirements for this grant.

Chaves County will serve as the lead entity for this Coalition Grant.

Coalition members are the City of Roswell, Town of Hagerman, Town of Lake Arthur, and Town of Dexter, all General Purpose Units of Local Government as defined in the eligibility requirements for this grant. Letters from each of these Coalition members are provided in this Attachment.

2. Community Involvement

The Coalition will meet regularly throughout this project and will establish a Brownfields Advisory Committee (BAC). Each Coalition member will be represented on the BAC, as well as our supporting community organizations and other stakeholders. We will actively seek to identify concerns that residents have and respond to these in a quick and constructive manner. This will be done through frequent surveys and polling both paper and electronically, door-to-door outreach, and a close monitoring of our social media channels. We will identify and reach out to sensitive populations through our partnerships with community organizations.

Progress will be communicated through public notices and frequent updates posted at the project site; in email blasts and bulk mailings to people in our database, which numbers thousands of residents; and through posting notices at the public library, city hall, churches, grocery stores, restaurants, preschools, and elsewhere. Because ours is a poor region with limited broadband access, our Coalition will emphasize face-to-face meetings to gather input and answer questions from the public. The Chaves County planning director, who will serve as the grant manager, will update the County Board every month on our work and will include a briefing on the progress of the brownfield assessment and future cleanup as part of this report. Chaves County has monthly committee meetings that are open to the public. There will be extensive opportunities to discuss this project during these meetings.



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November 28, 2016

Marlin Johnson, Chaves County Planning Director
#1 St. Mary's Place
Roswell, NM 88203

Re: Chaves County Coalition for U.S. EPA Brownfield Community-Wide Assessment Grant

Dear Mr. Johnson,

On behalf of the City of Roswell, I am delighted to commit the City to be party to the Chaves County Coalition and wholeheartedly support the proposal for the EPA Brownfield Community-Wide Assessment Grant. As a member of a coalition seeking grant funds for this program, I offer our complete support for the application submitted on behalf of Roswell and the towns of Dexter, Hagerman, and Lake Arthur.

The loss of water rights affected economic progress throughout the County, including Roswell as the primary economic engine in the area. The assessment grant funding will be used to inventory, prioritize, and plan for cleanup and redevelopment of many brownfield sites throughout Chaves County ranging from former fuel dispensing stations to closed grocery stores and manufacturing plants. In particular, the City of Roswell has a large property located in the middle of the City that needs serious help, yet has much potential, the old Glover Meat Packing Plant at 1007 North Virginia Avenue.

We will commit City Staff to participating with the project at all levels. This will include Planning, Public Relations, Engineering, and any other staff that might benefit the cause. In addition to staff support, we will offer assistance with facilities for public meetings to promote and share information regarding brownfield sites. We offer resources for promotion and recruitment of businesses to redevelop underutilized properties. Similarly, we offer all of the City resources to provide public meeting space, community engagement meeting and charrettes, plus assistance in site identification and prioritization. Our public health officials will work closely with the Coalition to solve our social and environmental injustice needs within the City.

These grants will be extremely beneficial in our regional efforts to promote job growth and economic activity through redevelopment. In addition, these efforts will play an important role in our mission to enhance the quality of life for residents and help ensure the future health and well-being of our communities.

Should you have any questions or if I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me. You have the City of Roswell's full endorsement for this revitalization effort that your Coalition is targeting.

Sincerely,

Dennis Kintigh, Mayor
City of Roswell, New Mexico
roswellmayor@roswell-nm.gov

Rod Hogan, Interim City Manager
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Mr. Marlin Johnson
Chaves County Planning and Zoning

December 08, 2016

Dear Mr. Johnson,

I am writing this letter to describe the City of Dexter's strong support for the EPA Brownfield Grants being pursued by Chaves County. The "Revitalize the Valley" initiative will go a long way to invigorate and Dexter's economy.

As you know, Dexter has struggled economically since the local agriculture business was destroyed when the water compact was reached to dry up thousands of nearby farms in 2003. As the Mayor and a local business owner I am abundantly aware of the need for economic growth in Chaves County. Presently, we have many buildings that are in a state of decay because formerly healthy business had to close and, in most cases, move out of the area.

I appreciate your connecting the City of Dexter with this program and I commit that if this program happens, the City Council, City staff and myself will stay closely involved. Further, I will personally reach out to other local business leaders to form a "Revitalize the Valley" commission to ensure the success of this important economic initiative.

The health and well-being of our community and of Chaves County will be greatly benefited from this EPA funded program which I personally believe will lead to greater public awareness creating economic momentum. Because of this, I am pleased to write this letter of support and compliment for working so hard to help our County. I will update the Council about the submission of this EPA Brownfield Grant and we look forward to hearing from you regarding the hopeful outcome.

Please contact me directly at any time.

Sincerely,



Hon. Mitch Daubert
Town of Dexter
Office of the Mayor

Town of Hagerman

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Marlin Johnson
Chaves County Planning Director
#1 St. Mary's Place
Roswell, NM 88203

Re: Chaves County Coalition for U.S. EPA Brownfield Community-Wide Assessment Grant

Dear Mr. Johnson,

The Town of Hagerman is excited to be party to the Chaves County coalition and wholeheartedly supports the proposal for the EPA Brownfield Community-Wide Assessment Grant.

We are pleased to have the County Planning Department continue your efforts to support good planning and economic development in our valley. As a life-long resident of the Chaves County and long-time Mayor of Hagerman, I have continuously strived to better our community. We were heavily impacted by the loss of water rights that came because of the Pecos River Compact Settlement Agreement and the resulting loss of agricultural production. This caused the loss of numerous jobs in the area as well as the ability to support the businesses that used to serve our community. Businesses lost include our grocery stores, lumber yard, hardware store, service stations, laundry mat, bank, feed store, flower shop and restaurants. It also took a toll on those that remained.

Our elected officials and leading citizens have discussed the proposal and look expectantly forward to partnering with everyone involved. We offer our commitment to the program by having a representative on an Advisory Committee. We will use our knowledge of community needs and priorities and encourage participation in the program by our residents and community stakeholders.

We will strive to be a shining example of the good that can come with these types of opportunities. We will obligate ourselves to facilitate and coordinate public meetings and to share information regarding redevelopment of brownfield sites. We will assist in all ways possible, including but not limited to: sites for public outreach meetings, history, promotion, recruitment, and resources.

Our downtown area and properties that line the railroad are the two areas in need of redevelopment and revitalization. Our mission is to provide quality of life for those that live and work in Hagerman and the surrounding communities. We believe that securing USEPA funding for our Chaves County coalition is a critical step in ensuring the future health and well-being of our citizens through the economic recovery process. Our community has been excited about the opportunity to participate in the program since first approached by Mr. Johnson. We respectfully urge the EPA to fund these grant requests.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



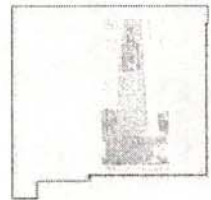
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Johnny Teel, Councilor
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Town of Lake Arthur

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November 10, 2016

Marlin Johnson
Chaves County Planning Director
#1 St. Mary's Place
Roswell, NM 88203

Re: Chaves County Brownfield Coalition Partnership

On behalf of the Town of Lake Arthur, please accept the full support of our community and its elected officials for the Chaves County Brownfield Coalition Partnership initiative. Chaves County provides invaluable services to the unincorporated areas of the County.

The downturn in the general economy severely impacts our local government entities through the loss of tax revenue. The loss of water rights has caused dramatic economic distress to our County, impacting agriculture, ranching, and associated industries. It is critical that we protect our watershed and environment.

Chaves County has the resources in place to administer and supply the local governments with assistance in addressing contaminated land redevelopment and reclamation.

We look forward in being an active partner in the Chaves County Brownfield Coalition Partnership, supporting the Brownfield assessment program, sharing communication, providing facilities and hosting local meetings with concerned citizens and Coalition partners.

The Town of Lake Arthur strongly supports this grant application. If you need any further information, please contact me at 575 616-1795 or by email at ysidro@dfn.com.

Sincerely,

Ysidro Salazar
Mayor

Attachment D: Supporting Documentation

“Revitalize Our Valley”

Chaves County, New Mexico

**USEPA Brownfield Assessment Coalition Petroleum
and Hazardous Materials Assessment Grants**

Persistent Poverty Counties are defined by Public Law 112-74 (enacted on December 23, 2011) as counties where 20% or more of their population lives in poverty as measured by the U.S. Census Bureau (1990 and 2000 decennial censuses, and 2006-2010 American Community Survey)

County Fips	County Name	State	1990 % Poverty	2000 % Poverty	2010 % Poverty
01005	Barbour County	AL	25.2	26.8	25
01011	Bullock County	AL	36.5	33.5	25.3
01013	Butler County	AL	31.5	24.6	25
01025	Clarke County	AL	25.9	22.6	29.2
01035	Conecuh County	AL	29.7	26.6	30.6
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01053	Escambia County	AL	28.1	20.9	24.4
01063	Greene County	AL	45.6	34.3	30.8
01065	Hale County	AL	35.6	26.9	24.6
01085	Lowndes County	AL	38.6	31.4	27.3
01087	Macon County	AL	34.5	32.8	27.4
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01099	Monroe County	AL	22.7	21.3	25.4
01105	Perry County	AL	42.6	35.4	28.8
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01109	Pike County	AL	27.2	23.1	28.6
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02270	Wade Hampton Census Area	AK	31.0	26.2	31.4
02290	Yukon-Koyukuk Census Area	AK	26.0	23.8	23.6
04001	Apache County	AZ	47.1	37.8	34.4
04017	Navajo County	AZ	34.7	29.5	24.4
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05017	Chicot County	AR	40.4	28.6	34.1
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05035	Crittenden County	AR	27.1	25.3	27.4
05041	Desha County	AR	34.0	28.9	27.6
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05095	Monroe County	AR	35.9	27.5	22.5
05101	Newton County	AR	29.6	20.4	22.5
05107	Phillips County	AR	43.0	32.7	32.4
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06107	Tulare County	CA	22.6	23.9	22.9
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08023	Costilla County	CO	34.6	26.8	28.4

08109	Saguache County	CO	30.6	22.6	24.4
12001	Alachua County	FL	23.5	22.8	23.6
12047	Hamilton County	FL	27.8	26.0	21.4
12049	Hardee County	FL	22.8	24.6	26.1
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13003	Atkinson County	GA	26.0	23.0	28
13007	Baker County	GA	24.8	23.4	30
13017	Ben Hill County	GA	22.0	22.3	26.9
13031	Bulloch County	GA	27.5	24.5	28.4
13033	Burke County	GA	30.3	28.7	25.7
13037	Calhoun County	GA	31.8	26.5	28.8
13043	Candler County	GA	24.1	26.1	22.3
13059	Clarke County	GA	27.0	28.3	33.5
13061	Clay County	GA	35.7	31.3	34.2
13065	Clinch County	GA	26.4	23.4	25.7
13075	Cook County	GA	22.4	20.7	23.3
13081	Crisp County	GA	29.0	29.3	29.1
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13093	Dooly County	GA	32.9	22.1	27.1
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13133	Greene County	GA	25.1	22.3	23.6
13141	Hancock County	GA	30.1	29.4	26.8
13163	Jefferson County	GA	31.3	23.0	26.9
13167	Johnson County	GA	22.2	22.6	27.7
13193	Macon County	GA	29.2	25.8	33
13197	Marion County	GA	28.2	22.4	22
13205	Mitchell County	GA	28.7	26.4	22.2
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13239	Quitman County	GA	33.0	21.9	31.6
13243	Randolph County	GA	35.9	27.7	28
13251	Screven County	GA	22.9	20.1	20.4
13253	Seminole County	GA	29.1	23.2	25.4
13259	Stewart County	GA	31.4	22.2	24.2
13261	Sumter County	GA	24.8	21.4	26.9
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13273	Terrell County	GA	29.1	28.6	31
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13287	Turner County	GA	31.3	26.7	25.4
13299	Ware County	GA	21.1	20.5	20.5
13301	Warren County	GA	32.6	27.0	25.7

13303	Washington County	GA	21.6	22.9	27.6
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21043	Carter County	KY	26.8	22.3	20.6
21045	Casey County	KY	29.4	25.5	28.2
21051	Clay County	KY	40.2	39.7	34.4
21053	Clinton County	KY	38.1	25.8	29.1
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21095	Harlan County	KY	33.1	32.5	30.7
21099	Hart County	KY	27.1	22.4	23.5
21109	Jackson County	KY	38.2	30.2	33.1
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21127	Lawrence County	KY	36.0	30.7	24.4
21129	Lee County	KY	37.4	30.4	31.6
21131	Leslie County	KY	35.6	32.7	24.6
21133	Letcher County	KY	31.8	27.1	26.8
21135	Lewis County	KY	30.7	28.5	27.5
21137	Lincoln County	KY	27.2	21.1	21.9
21147	McCreary County	KY	45.5	32.2	35.2
21153	Magoffin County	KY	42.5	36.6	29.8
21159	Martin County	KY	35.4	37.0	33
21165	Menifee County	KY	35.0	29.6	20.4
21171	Monroe County	KY	26.9	23.4	27.1
21175	Morgan County	KY	38.8	27.2	23.6
21189	Owsley County	KY	52.1	45.4	41.5
21193	Perry County	KY	32.1	29.1	27.9
21195	Pike County	KY	25.4	23.4	22.1
21197	Powell County	KY	26.2	23.5	26.3
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21203	Rockcastle County	KY	30.7	23.1	28.1
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21207	Russell County	KY	25.6	24.3	24.2
21231	Wayne County	KY	37.3	29.4	26.7

21235	Whitley County	KY	33.0	26.4	28.9
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22001	Acadia Parish	LA	30.5	24.5	20.1
22009	Avoyelles Parish	LA	37.1	25.9	23.2
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22021	Caldwell Parish	LA	28.8	21.2	21.9
22025	Catahoula Parish	LA	36.8	28.1	24.6
22027	Claiborne Parish	LA	32.0	26.5	26.8
22029	Concordia Parish	LA	30.6	29.1	30.8
22031	De Soto Parish	LA	29.8	25.1	20.3
22035	East Carroll Parish	LA	56.8	40.5	40.8
22037	East Feliciana Parish	LA	25.0	23.0	21.3
22039	Evangeline Parish	LA	35.1	32.2	22.1
22041	Franklin Parish	LA	34.5	28.4	29.3
22045	Iberia Parish	LA	25.8	23.6	21.2
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22065	Madison Parish	LA	44.6	36.7	33.6
22067	Morehouse Parish	LA	31.0	26.8	27.4
22069	Natchitoches Parish	LA	33.9	26.5	28.6
22071	Orleans Parish	LA	31.6	27.9	24.4
22073	Ouachita Parish	LA	24.7	20.7	21
22077	Pointe Coupee Parish	LA	30.3	23.1	20.2
22081	Red River Parish	LA	35.1	29.9	21.5
22083	Richland Parish	LA	33.2	27.9	20.3
22085	Sabine Parish	LA	27.1	21.5	20.7
22091	St. Helena Parish	LA	34.4	26.8	23.1
22097	St. Landry Parish	LA	36.3	29.3	28.3
22101	St. Mary Parish	LA	27.0	23.6	21
22105	Tangipahoa Parish	LA	31.5	22.7	22.5
22107	Tensas Parish	LA	46.3	36.3	32.4
22117	Washington Parish	LA	31.6	24.7	26.1
22119	Webster Parish	LA	25.1	20.2	21.5
22123	West Carroll Parish	LA	27.4	23.4	23
22127	Winn Parish	LA	27.5	21.5	23.7
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28005	Amite County	MS	30.9	22.6	27.6
28007	Attala County	MS	30.2	21.8	24.9
28009	Benton County	MS	29.7	23.2	26
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28025	Clay County	MS	25.9	23.5	25.7
28027	Coahoma County	MS	45.5	35.9	35.5
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28035	Forrest County	MS	27.5	22.5	25.6
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28063	Jefferson County	MS	46.9	36.0	39
28065	Jefferson Davis County	MS	33.3	28.2	26.2
28069	Kemper County	MS	35.1	26.0	28.3
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28105	Oktibbeha County	MS	30.1	28.2	32
28107	Panola County	MS	33.8	25.3	29.1
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28123	Scott County	MS	27.4	20.7	22.2
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28157	Wilkinson County	MS	42.2	37.7	28.1
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28161	Yalobusha County	MS	26.4	21.8	26.2
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29001	Adair County	MO	24.9	23.3	26
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29510	St. Louis city	MO	24.6	24.6	26

30003	Big Horn County	MT	35.3	29.2	23.5
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35045	San Juan County	NM	28.3	21.5	20.8
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36005	Bronx County	NY	28.7	30.7	28.4
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37015	Bertie County	NC	25.9	23.5	23.3
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40023	Choctaw County	OK	32.7	24.3	24.6
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40107	Okfuskee County	OK	29.4	23.0	24.6
40119	Payne County	OK	21.7	20.3	23.4
40127	Pushmataha County	OK	30.2	23.2	27.1
40133	Seminole County	OK	24.0	20.8	23.8
40141	Tillman County	OK	22.9	21.9	21.1
42101	Philadelphia County	PA	20.3	22.9	25.1
45005	Allendale County	SC	35.8	34.5	42.4

45009	Bamberg County	SC	28.2	27.8	29.9
45011	Barnwell County	SC	21.8	20.9	25.4
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46041	Dewey County	SD	44.4	33.6	30.5
46071	Jackson County	SD	38.8	36.5	30
46095	Mellette County	SD	41.3	35.8	27
46109	Roberts County	SD	26.4	22.1	20
46113	Shannon County	SD	63.1	52.3	53.5
46121	Todd County	SD	50.2	48.3	48.8
46137	Ziebach County	SD	51.1	49.9	46
47013	Campbell County	TN	26.8	22.8	23.2
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47151	Scott County	TN	27.8	20.2	24.5
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48169	Garza County	TX	23.1	22.3	21.7
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48479	Webb County	TX	38.2	31.2	29.8
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48505	Zapata County	TX	41.0	35.8	37.6
48507	Zavala County	TX	50.4	41.8	43
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51540	Charlottesville city	VA	23.7	25.9	27.1
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51720	Norton city	VA	26.7	22.8	22.6
51750	Radford city	VA	32.2	31.4	30.8
51760	Richmond city	VA	20.9	21.4	25.3
53075	Whitman County	WA	24.2	25.6	27.6
54007	Braxton County	WV	25.8	22.0	21
54013	Calhoun County	WV	32.0	25.1	20.5
54015	Clay County	WV	39.2	27.5	23.7
54019	Fayette County	WV	24.4	21.7	21.3
54021	Gilmer County	WV	33.5	25.9	30.3
54043	Lincoln County	WV	33.8	27.9	26.6
54045	Logan County	WV	27.7	24.1	21.8
54047	McDowell County	WV	37.7	37.7	32.6
54059	Mingo County	WV	30.9	29.7	21.6
54061	Monongalia County	WV	20.6	22.8	21
54087	Roane County	WV	28.1	22.6	27.6
54089	Summers County	WV	24.5	24.4	21.6
54101	Webster County	WV	34.8	31.8	22.9
55078	Menominee County	WI	48.7	28.8	31.6

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President Declares Disaster for New Mexico

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency announced that federal disaster aid has been made available to the State of New Mexico to supplement state and local recovery efforts in the area affected by severe storms, flooding, and mudslides during the period of September 9-22, 2013.

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The President's action makes federal funding available to state and eligible local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations on a cost-sharing basis for emergency work and the repair or replacement of facilities damaged by the severe storms, flooding, and mudslides in Catron, Chaves, Cibola, Colfax, Eddy, Guadalupe, Los Alamos, McKinley, Mora, Sandoval, San Miguel, Santa Fe, Sierra, Socorro, and Torrance counties.

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Federal funding is also available on a cost-sharing basis for hazard mitigation measures statewide.

Nancy M. Casper has been named as the Federal Coordinating Officer for federal recovery operations in the affected area. Casper said additional designations may be made at a later date if warranted by the results of damage assessments.

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RESOLUTION R-15-054
LOCAL EMERGENCY / DISASTER DECLARATION

WHEREAS, Chaves County has suffered severe damage caused by a blizzard on or about December 26, 2015 and extending through December 27, 2015; and,

WHEREAS, extensive damage was caused to County roads, private roads, personal property, including livestock, dairy cattle and agricultural related businesses; and,

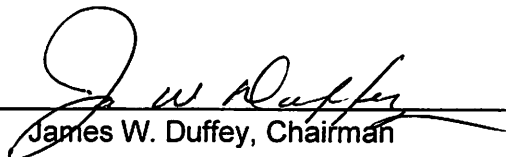
WHEREAS, this incident has resulted in undue human suffering and hardship and threatens the safety, health, welfare, and well-being of the citizens and local economy of Chaves County; and,

WHEREAS, all locally available public and private resources available to mitigate and alleviate the effects of this disaster have been insufficient to meet the needs of the situation, make repairs, and protect the public safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chaves County Commissioners, by virtue of the authority provided by New Mexico State Statute 4-1-1 and by the New Mexico Civil Emergency Preparedness Act, NMSA 1978, 12-10-01 to 12-20-11, do hereby declare Chaves County to be under a state of Disaster for the purpose of exercising necessary emergency powers, for expending local resources, and for requesting aid, assistance, relief programs, and funding that may be available from the State of New Mexico.

DONE this 28th day of December, 2015.

BOARD OF CHAVES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

By: 
James W. Duffey, Chairman

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Pecos River Settlement wallops Hagerman economy

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Gov. Bill Richardson compared it to a cloud being removed from the Pecos Valley's future. "A significant milestone" is how New Mexico State Engineer John D'Antonio described it. "An extraordinary example of what's possible" are the words of Greg Lewis, the Office of the State Engineer's current Pecos River basin manager. "It doesn't receive the same reviews in Hagerman.

Cliff Waide, who has been mayor of Hagerman since 2005, says, "It has had a devastating effect on Hagerman, Lake Arthur and Dexter." Dan Lethrop, president of the board of directors of the Hagerman Irrigation Company, echoes Waide's sentiment, "As a community, it was devastating."

What could earn broad acclaim from state officials outside of the community and qualified disdain from stakeholders within it? The 2003 Pecos River Settlement.

According to Lewis, the settlement aspired to bring the Roswell Artesian Basin back into balance and ensure that water is delivered to those it is due. The Pecos Valley Artesian Conservancy District, Carlsbad Irrigation District, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and State of New Mexico created the document and have worked to implement it since. Its inspiration? Decades of legal turmoil surrounding New Mexico's under-delivery of water to Texas, Carlsbad's contentions with water usage in PVACD farther upstream on the Pecos River and the dropping water levels in the Roswell Artesian Basin.

As Richardson's, D'Antonio's and Lewis's comments suggest, in many ways the settlement has been a success. New Mexico has turned a deficit into a 100,100 acre-feet water surplus to

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those water rights in and around one small agricultural community 24 miles south of Roswell. With more than 100,000 acres of farmland in production throughout PVACD territory, the voluntary transactions were concentrated in Hagerman, Dexter and Lake Arthur.

There, since 2003, 4,400 acres of water rights have been retired, almost 60 percent of PVACD's entire commitment, continuing a trend of water right leases and retirements in the area back that date back to the early 1990s. "Fundamentally, in this valley, water is life," says Lethrop. Without that lifeblood, the result "a less vibrant community" is not surprising. Farmers without water can't farm. They can't hire employees. They can't purchase seed, tractors, etc. from local businesses.

While the number of dollars in economic output lost with the water rights proved evasive, Dr. Michael Patrick, a New Mexico State University extension economist, offers 1.5 as a realistic multiplier for agricultural operations in Hagerman's economy, meaning every dollar lost would result in an additional loss of \$1.50. For the voluntary water right retirement, ISC paid Hagerman, Dexter and Lake Arthur water right holders more than \$20 million.

However, as far as Waide and Lethrop can tell, the one-time payments have long since disappeared into retirement accounts, relocations and Winnebagos; the money hasn't made a detectable imprint on the community.

On an autumn afternoon, standing across from the modest Hagerman town hall on West Argyle Street, fewer than a handful of people and cars are on the move. Waide and Cassius Mason, the director of the community's department of public safety, quickly rattle off a list of closures they relate to the retired water rights "two grocery stores, two gas stations, the lumberyard, two barbershops, two bars, three cafés, a vehicle dealership, an insurance agent ... Frustrated as they are, neither has given up hope. For his part, Waide tries not to blame the settlement that tipped the dominoes falling down on Hagerman.

"This was probably the smallest economic loss for the valley," he says. "The alternative could have been worse." Aron Balok, PVACD's water resource specialist, is adamant that the state and nation must hold onto the dwindling farmland acreage it has in production.

Still, he says, "This was a necessary, if unsavory, option. Hopefully

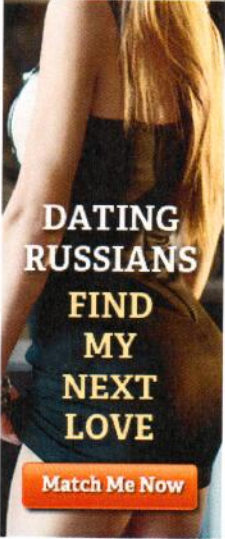
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we put ourselves in a place where we won't have to do it again. Waide sounds a hopeful note about the prospects that Hagerman will develop economic alternatives to the alfalfa and corn silage that used to power Hagerman's economy, and still do to a lesser extent. He's proud of the thriving agricultural operations that still give Hagerman a pulse.

He's proud of the town's industrial park (the business lots come with water rights). And he's proud of the fact that Fat-Man's Beef Jerky's new processing plant is under construction in the park. Inevitably, though, conversation comes back to the hardships Hagerman has had to face. With some sadness in his voice, he speaks of the urbanization and "natural small-town decline" happening across the country and adds, "and that's literally dry up in our case."

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* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):

* Other (Specify):

* 3. Date Received:

12/20/2016

4. Applicant Identifier:

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5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

85-6000206

5b. Federal Award Identifier:

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

10/03/2016

7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

* a. Legal Name:

Chaves County, New Mexico

* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):

85-6000206

* c. Organizational DUNS:

0767292760000

d. Address:

* Street1:

1 Saint Marys Place

Street2:

* City:

Roswell

County/Parish:

* State:

NM: New Mexico

Province:

* Country:

USA: UNITED STATES

* Zip / Postal Code:

88203-5400

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

Chaves County Planning Depart.

Division Name:

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix:

* First Name:

Marlin

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Johnson

Suffix:

Title:

Planning Director

Organizational Affiliation:

Chaves County, NM

* Telephone Number:

575-624-6562

Fax Number:

* Email:

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:

B: County Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

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* Other (specify):

* 10. Name of Federal Agency:

Environmental Protection Agency

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

66.818

CFDA Title:

Brownfields Assessment and Cleanup Cooperative Agreements

* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:

EPA-OLEM-OBLR-16-08

* Title:

FY17 Guidelines for Brownfields Assessment Grants

13. Competition Identification Number:

NONE

Title:

None

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

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* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:

Chaves County Coalition Brownfield Revitalization Initiative entitled "Revitalize our Valley"

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424**16. Congressional Districts Of:**

* a. Applicant NM-002

* b. Program/Project NM-002

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date: 10/03/2016

* b. End Date: 09/30/2019

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal	400,000.00
* b. Applicant	0.00
* c. State	0.00
* d. Local	0.00
* e. Other	0.00
* f. Program Income	0.00
* g. TOTAL	400,000.00

*** 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?**

- ☐ a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on .
- ☐ b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.
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21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)**

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Authorized Representative:

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Middle Name:

* Last Name: Sedillo

Suffix:

* Title: Chief Financial Officer

* Telephone Number: 575-624-6646 Fax Number:

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* Signature of Authorized Representative: Joe Sedillo * Date Signed: 12/20/2016